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Although I Am Only Level 1, but with This Unique Skill, I Am the Strongest

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Chapter 31

Rice Rebellion

First thing in the morning, I hunted my usual income of 40K Piro worth of bean sprouts and am pushing the Magic Cart inside the trading shop.

The first thing I felt when going inside the shop, I noticed something weird going on.

Business is going on as usual, but the workers behind the counter are having a serious discussion right now. There are also several groups of adventurers having a difficult-looking expression.

As I was wondering what's with this mood, I went to the all so familiar counter, and tried talking to Elza who was behind the counter.

“Hello~”

“Ah! Ryouta-san.”

“What exactly is happening?”

“To tell you the truth..... A strike is happening right now.”

“Str...?”

This is the first time I've heard of an English word when coming into this world.

“Do you know what strike means?”

“No, not really.”

I shook my head while immediately answering back to her.

In actuality I do understand what she meant, but I thought that maybe this world uses that word to bring about a different meaning, thus I act that I do not know what it means.

“Then, you’ve heard about a dungeon named Silicon right?”

“Aah.”

“At the dungeon’s sixth floor, the monsters in it are the only one that drops a grain of rice in Shikuro.”

“As usual, it’s a wonder to hear about a monster dropping a single grain of rice.”

“Eh?”

“I’m sorry, just talking to myself. So? What’s wrong with the sixth floor?”

“That place is the territory of the Adelbert’s. Occasionally, there are people such as this group who monopolizes one part of the dungeon within their friends by teaming up together to form a gang.”

“I don’t think I’ve heard of this situation before.”

“You... you’re right, you know that Nihonium Dungeon has only just been risen right. Since that dungeon doesn’t drop anything, the Adelbert gang decided to make a move. Seeing that the sixth floor of Silicon is the only floor in Shikuro that drops rice, they decided to seize that opportunity to sell it at a high price.”

“Right, now I understand...”

“When everyone heard of a new dungeon appearing, we were anticipating for it. Though monopolizing a drop will cause the market to collapse. It is rather unfortunate...”

Elza showed a shabby, disappointed expression.

Looking at it closely, while glancing at the workers and adventurers, they are also talking about the Albert’s.

Nihonium is indefinite of drops——But because I was lucky with my drop stats, I could get drops outta it, but in return it influenced others.

It’s a rather interesting world to catch up—was what I thought before I heard of this news.

Everyone is troubled at the fact that someone is using the rice to monopolize the market and can't find a way to stop it.

"The other famous people in town have started to make their move to stop this matter, however, probably because Adelbert is a large group, people have no choice but to accept the influx in price for rice.

"....."

That is, unacceptable.



I head over to Silicon.

I'm currently in the middle of a crowd, where merchants and officers who are normally not seen outside the dungeon, are crowding outside the dungeon.

Those people who are gathering outside the dungeon were from inside the shop just a moment ago with their serious looking face, and they are currently discussing about something.

For now I should speak with the person in charge, so I try butting in.

"Arere, if it isn't Satou-kun."

"Eh? Wait! Since when was the homo here!"

The person I'm speaking to is the delicate man I've met in the beer store, Neptune.

With that same happy expression he put on previously, he approached me.

"I'm not homo okay, because I absolutely love girls only."

"Well whatever, so what are you doing over here right now?"

"Right back at you. Seems that we both came here because of the news about Adelbert?"

".....Aah."

“I came here by someone’s request. Speaking of Adelbert, they’ve been doing the same thing several times before. This time they are meddling with the prices of rice. So obviously, the town’s people can’t put up with their patience anymore.”

“So I guess the Neptune family is being requested to come and remove them?”

“Nope, it’s different.”

“Eh? Then?”

I tilt my head, I thought that judging by the flow of the conversation, that’s what they came here for.

“It’s not just removing them, but **exterminating** them.”

“That was more than what I anticipated.”

“It’s better to just deal with them once and for all. Problem is their numbers aren’t to be look down too, even my teammates and others might be injured during this whole expedition.”

“.....I have something to discuss.”

“...What is it?”

“Could you let me handle this situation.”

“Handling it, you mean to exterminate them?”

“No, *removing* them.”

Neptune stared at me.

The reason why I came here is because I have another way to peacefully deal with this situation.



Silicon Dungeon's fifth floor, before heading down to the next floor.

Neptune and I are currently here. Further back from us is Riru and Ran which we've met previously, and also some of Neptune's teammates.

With everyone present, it gave off a rather sophisticated air around us.

Then the leader, Neptune, turned beside and talk to me.

“Just to confirm, if you can't handle this situation, then we will take it from here and exterminate them. That's the plan right?”

“Aah.”

“Well then, I wish you good luck.”

With words of send off from Neptune, I head down to the sixth floor.

The moment I reached the sixth floor, there's a guard there standing halt.

“Halt, state your coming.”

“This floor is off-limits, if you want to head to the floor below, please use that road instead.”

There are two guards standing side by side, and behind them, a guideway like construction site is made.

Even though this floor is occupied, but I guess they allow adventurers to head to the floor below.

I readied my gun, my recent dual gun which I'd just obtained the other day.

“So you're doing this the hard way huh!”

“Come, the lots of you! The town's man send their forces to deal with us!”

The two men then switched to a battle stance.

Without a word, I fired my gun.

While simultaneously firing the Healing bullets, the bullets bumped into each other and fused.

The fused Healing Bullets let out a rather bright light, and the two men were enveloped by the light.

Then, the two men fell down the ground like broken dolls.

Their faces look as though they are in ecstasy, while breathing lightly with a gentle face.

Fuh, looks like I somehow did it.

“Hey, what’s that?”

“The homo’s here!”

“Ahaha, as I keep saying I’m not homo.”

“Suddenly sneaking behind me and resting your chin on top of my shoulder, now wouldn’t that considered to be homo!”

While letting a loud voice, I shook off Neptune who is talking to me while resting his chin on my shoulder.

Since I felt like my body is in danger, I decided to explain to him to distract myself.

“It’s a Sleeping Bullet, though if you just shoot it normally it would have an effect of healing wounds, but if you fuse them together, the effect will be changed to induced sleep on someone.”

“Heh, it means the healing power has doubled.”

“I guess that’s it.”

Inside the dungeon, many footsteps can be heard, and one by one adventurers are coming out.

I positioned my gun, and fired both my guns loaded with the Healing Bullets, the bullet fused, and *knock* them out one by one.

The effect of fused bullets is outstanding. People who are shot with this will be put to sleep.

Even the Adelbert's leader was put to sleep, and thus all of them who were occupying the sixth floor were put to sleep, and were being dragged out of the dungeon.



“Thank you! You've really helped us out big time.”

After we went out of Silicon Dungeon, A skinhead looking guy with a beard approached and spoke to me.

“Who are you?”

“I'm sorry for the late introduction. My name is Clint – Gray, Silicon dungeon's chief.”

Dungeon chief?

This is the first time I've heard of such an occupation—since this is a world where everything drops from a dungeon monster, I guess this guy must've been a rather renown person.

“Thank you once again. Because of your help, no sacrifices were made, and also the prices of rice wouldn't rise. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

“No, don't mind it, I'm just doing what I think is right.”

“But it's still a fact that you saved us all from this mess. I have to think of something to reward you then.”

“No really, you don't have to.....”

“I will consider again afterwards and contact you. Thank you. Really, thank you so much!”

This Clint guy did not even listen to what I have to say, such a one-sided conversation,

and after a really powerful handshake, he went away.

Well, whatever, I guess.

For now, I guess the problem with rice is gone. I should report this to Elza.

Even over there, they were seriously thanking me too.

Chapter 32

Dungeon Chief's Request

I'm currently fighting the mummies on Nihonium's third floor to collect more Speed Up seeds. Reason why, is because I want to gather more information about the different effects of fused bullets.

For example, if you fused together two normal bullets, it will become a <Penetrating Bullet>, if you fuse Flame and Freeze bullets together, it will become an <Annihilation Bullet>, and if you fuse together two Healing Bullets, it will become a <Sleeping Bullet>.

Moreover, if you take a Flame bullet and fuse it with the Healing Bullet, a divine flame is born. Take these mummies for example, their undead body, when being shot by this bullet, melt easily like butter.

Judging by the phenomenon and the nature of the monster, it is like a flame of purification, thus I decided to name this bullet <Sacred Flame Bullet>.

A fusion bullet produced by combining two bullets together.

Is it because of the two guns that I have? Or is it because of the constitution of my body?

Even though I do not know for sure, but what I do know is that if you bump two bullets together when shooting, a fusion bullet will indeed occur.

Though there's one problem, in order to fuse a bullet together, I need to hit both the bullets in midair in order to trigger the fuse bullet.

As of right now, the probability of me bumping two bullets in midair is around 90%, but because there are times when I really need to *activate* it during an emergency, I need to train myself to be able to fuse it 100% all the time.

Having these thoughts, I'm now using the normal bullets and fuse them into <Penetrating Bullets> to defeat the mummies.

As mentioned previously, since the body of the mummies are tough, using normal bullets on them literally has no effect on them, but with this <Penetrating bullet>, when I aim at their forehead, it immediately pierces through their skull.

Since Nihonium has a peculiar trait where monsters LOVE to ambush adventurers, when compared with the speed-type zombies and Skeletons, the mummies are slower. Thus I can leisurely train fusing bullets with them till I'm satisfied, though the feeling of my success rate is only slowly raising.

Incidentally, while hunting for mummies, I was also busy picking up Speed Up seeds and finally increased my speed from B to A.



Noon. Today, I'm not going to the usual Teruru Dungeon, but am instead heading over to the fascinating building in the middle of town.

Shikuro Dungeon's Association, I'm currently inside the reception room because the bearded skinhead dungeon chief that I met yesterday called and wanted to meet with me here.

Previously when I met him, I didn't have any feelings because everyone was there when I was fighting, but now that everything's calm down and there's only two of us, I'm somewhat nervous.

He has such a strict looking face—suited for a leader.

“I'm sorry for calling you out like that suddenly. Well, have a cup of tea to calm yourself for now.”

After the dungeon chief said that, a secretary came forward and poured me a cup of tea.

There are two tea cups, and judging by the fragrance from within the cup, it must be a high quality black tea.

The dungeon chief then puts an abundance of sugar cubes into his black tea.

Plop, plop, plop, plop plop plop plop—.

“Stop putting so much sugar into it!”

I flipped and accidentally let out my voice and did a tsukkomi on him.

The tea-cup is filled with a mountain of sugar cubes, and the black tea which is filled with sugar cubes looks like icebergs floating on the sea.

Then, the dungeon chief drank the black tea(?), and let out a severe smile from his strict face.

“There’s nothing to hide now, but I’m actually a sweet tooth.”

“There’s a limit to everything though!”

“Please don’t hesitate, drink up before it gets cold.”

“Thanks for the drink——wait since when the hell did you put sugar into my black tea!”

Similar to the dungeon chief, my tea-cup is filled with a mountain of sugar cubes.

The sugar then melts delicately, and the top layer of the tea is now filled with a mesmerizing layer of amber.

If I were to drink this, I will definitely get diabetes.

I can’t bring myself to drink this, so I push it aside and started talking.

“Etto, why did you call me over here today?”

“Umu. Do you know of a town named Hetero?”

“Hetero?”

Without thinking I tilted my head.

Oh no, is it bad that I do not know of this place?

The dungeon chief who was looking at me with my head tilted, started explaining.

“It’s a town east from Shikuro, and though it has only 3 dungeons in it. But because all the dungeon drops fine meat, hence it’s called a livestock industrial city.”

“I see.”

Hetero, a nearby city, and all three of it’s dungeon drops meat.

Ryouta, has now remembered it.

“And what is up with this Hetero city?”

“Quite some time ago, in between Shikuro and Hetero, a new dungeon was born. Plus, the location of the dungeon is exactly right in the middle of the two town.”

“Heh.”

“It’s not just that it’s in the middle, but unlike the dungeon we have here which drops nothing, this new dungeon has many different things. As you also know, when buying a dungeon drop, certain taxes are deducted in advance. So whoever gets this dungeon, will greatly affect the finance of a city.”

Heh, there’s taxes being deducted during purchase.

“What’s more Nihonium is really suffering right now.”

Aah,..... since the dungeon doesn’t drop anything, they can’t tax it.

“So recently, we have come to an agreement, which is deciding who will get the dungeon based on the content of the drops. If the hierarchy of vegetables is more, then it’s Shikuro, and if the meat is more than it’s Hetero. That was what we settled during the meeting.”

“Right, I understand.”

“So we want you to investigate on this matter. The one with a high drop rate.”

“How do you know about my drop rate?”

Besides Emily, I did not disclose this matter to anyone else.

“I’ve heard rumours of the bamboo shoots and watermelon. Though I’m not sure about the numerical value, but as someone who brings such drop should have a considerably high drop rate.”

“Oh okay, I get it.”

Since he has circumstantial evidence, I can’t do anything about it being leak out.

“Well to be honest, a certain degree of investigating has already been done.”

“Heh?”

“As it is between two cities, the hierarchy drops of vegetables and meat for these two cities are nearly equal.”

“Then why?”

“Because there’s still the drop of a Rare Monster.”

The dungeon chief then stared straight at me.

With a seriously scary face.

“The rare monster’s rare drop, the result will be decided depending on this. What’s more, not everyone can get a rare drop from a rare monster, thus we need someone who has an extremely high drop rate to dispatch.”

“I see.”

“Please. Of course you won’t be working for free, both parties will prepare a price, and once the dungeon is under the jurisdiction of Shikuro, we will completely exempt the drop tax just for you.”

To exempt the tax fees huh.

Now that is some delicious offer.

What’s more... hmm, it’s a reasonable reward.

If the dungeon is to become Shikuro’s, Shikuro can get taxes from hundreds and

thousands of people, and for a leader to give a tax exemption to one person is relatively easy.

Since I sort of understand the gist of it, well then.

“I got it, I’ll do my best.”

“Thank you! Really thank you so much!”

The dungeon chief stood up, went over the table and grasped my hand firmly.

“Though it’s just a modesty——I will be paying the reward in advance.”

Click, the door opened, and the secretary from before is holding a plate full of sugar cubes.

“I won’t be putting those inside okay!”

“No, no, no, no. Do you know that sugar gives plenty of energy?”

Afterwards, the dungeon chief took one piece of the sugar cube and put it inside his mouth, and his severe face is lit with a smile.

I politely refused his advanced payment because I could become glycosuria without a joke.

Thus, an unexpected request of dungeon investigation came in.

Chapter 33

Garbage and Recycling

On the way home from Shikuro Dungeon's Association.

While strolling I was counting using my fingers. I'm currently thinking of what I need to prepare when going into the dungeon.

Bullets are a must. Normal bullets are fairly easy to replenish, but I would also prefer to bring along more special bullets, though they can only be produced from Nihonium dungeon's rogue monsters.

Thinking so, I need to bring along the Magic Cart too, and also how many pairs of clothes to bring with me.

“It feels like I’m preparing for a business trip.”

While thinking about that, I let out a laugh.

Immediately after I entered my company, before I was exhausted by my workload, I remembered of the time when I went for my first business trip.

It felt a little like a holiday trip, where the feeling of excitement you get when you go to your first field trip during your school days.

Going on a business trip to a new dungeon, sounds quite fun.

—Though, I was reminded of something.

If I were to leave Shikuro and head for a new dungeon, it's as if.

“It seems like a solo assignment...”



A monthly rent of 150K Piro, the new 2LDK home.

I went home earlier than usual, and explained to Emily about the request I'd gotten from the Dungeon Chief.

Since there's a new dungeon being born, I fully explained what I was asked to do from beginning to end.

“Yoda-san is amazing, you’re like the same as the Neptune family.”

“Now that you mention, it’s the same during the time Nihonium was born.”

At that time, before I knew about Neptune, I’ve heard about it from the rumours.

“Yes desu, it’s the same. Being ask to investigate on a dungeon is something to be proud at nanodesu.”

“Since this world revolves around dungeon dropping everything right.”

“I got it desu~”

While smiling ever so sweetly, Emily made an extremely adorable gesture of patting her chest using her small hand.

“During the absenteeism of Yoda-san, I will stay put and watch over the house.”

“No no, this time I want you to come along.”

“Eh? Together?”

“Yeap.”

“But, I don’t think I would be of any use desu?”

“It’s not about that. I just want Emily to follow along.”

I said while looking at her straight in the eyes.

I've thought that it would be bad to just leave her here while I head off.

While having such thoughts, I conveyed it through her while looking at her.

While staring back at me, being surprised, Emily smiled.

With a gentle smile, she firmly nodded.

And just like that, it became that Emily would follow with me together to embark on a journey to the new dungeon.



The very next morning, we immediately left on our journey.

After heading out of Shikuro city, with the help of the map that I'd gotten, we set out to the new dungeon.

While I was pushing the Magic Cart, Emily was carrying her hammer and her rucksack, which was her usual style.

That Emily is smiling. Since the beginning of the journey till right now.

“Seems like you’re enjoying yourself. Something good happened?”

“It’s because I get to go out with Yoda-san, it’s a lot of fun desu~”

“Really~”

I’m glad that I invited her to come.

Just being able to see her sweet and gentle smile, I was really happy that I invited her.

Though this is fine and all——as such, I looked around.

Just after walking outside of Shikuro, the surrounding scenery instantly changed.

Though, not even ten minutes of leaving Shikuro, all you can see is the wilderness.

There’s literally nothing. There’s not even a dead tree existing in the wilderness.

“There’s really nothing huh...”

“If there’s something then wouldn’t it be troublesome nanodesu.”

“Eh?”

“Wouldn’t it be troubling if there’s something like rogue monsters wandering around? Since water, air, and land is the only thing that won’t turn into rogue monsters nanodesu.”

“...Ah.”

It feels as though I was told of something terrible.

Yes, since all things in this world are produced from dungeon drops.

And if that dungeon drop is left without anyone nearby it, then the drop will turn back into their original monster.

What this means, is that if there IS something in this wilderness, and without anyone around the drop, it will surely turn into monsters, thus there will always be nothing.

“So I guess I can’t make something like a hut, in this world.”

Of all the times, I felt that now I had been blown by this world’s logic once again.



After walking for the entire day, evening arrived.

Since we’re getting tired after walking, we decided to camp near a river.

“It’s time for preparations desu.”

Emily placed her rucksack down, and from within she took out a tent, and skillfully set up the tent, as if she’s done it a thousand times before.

That’s because, before I came to this world, she’s been surviving in this manner, thus doing this is rather familiar for her.

“Yoda-san, may I go draw some water?”

“I got it..... Should we use the Magic Cart for that?”

“It’s okay desu.”

I nodded, and pushed the Magic cart towards the river bank.

Then I drew the water into the Magic Cart.

While looking at the river, I thought that it was really clean and beautiful.

Though there’s nothing in it at all, not even grass or fish.

As fishes are also considered drops in the dungeon, so I guess there aren’t any in the river.

.....As I thought, this is a rather amazing world, which again made it more interesting.

After gathering enough water I went back, and saw that the tent was done building.

“Emily?”

“I’m inside desu.”

Leaving the Magic Cart aside, I went inside the tent.

“Wait what the hell is this!”

“It’s a tent?”

“Isn’t it the same as our living room!”

I trust a large tsukkomi.

The inside of the tent is quite like Emily.

Same as our home, the moment you enter, you can feel the warm and gentle feeling.

Though putting it in another way, the inside of this tent isn’t like your typical tent.

It's as though when looking at the interior of the tent, you're brought into a different dimension where you are met with a magical space.

There's a table in it, even a sofa.

There's lamp hanging on the wall, it really felt like our own living room.

"How in heavens did you do this."

"I stuff it up inside the rucksack and carried it desu."

"In that rucksack!?"

"It's heavier than usual nodesu."

"That's not at a level of just being heavy already. What's more it's sparkling, and even fluffy. Wait, is this a carpet?"

Even the floor is fluffy, it's as if the outside wilderness was just a joke.

"I did my best desu."

"Again, this isn't the level of just doing your best anymore."

Even though I was being dumbfounded, Emily looked at me with gaze of amazement.

Her face is telling me that, isn't this a must when doing things?

While being surprised, I thought that this is just like Emily.

As our home also exhibit such warmth and passionate feeling that it made me wonder if Emily came from a certain shrine who came to pass her divinity. Though for her, it doesn't matter if she made the interior of the tent like our living room if it's for the sake of me.

"I should make dinner next desu."

"Aah..."

While stopping my deep thoughts, I went and relax inside the tent that Emily has

installed.



After finishing Emily's warm and delicious dinner, I'm now sipping on tea while breathing out.

Even though we're suppose to be camping outside, the meals are always with us.

Well, since at that time, I've had several of her wonderful meals in the dungeon, I wasn't as shocked as before.

“Let's have some ice cream for our dessert desu.”

“There's a limit to everything right!”

While doing a tsukkomi, I was handed a dessert.

Though I wanted to say something, I gave up and quietly enjoyed it.

“Oh, this is delicious. The sweetness is just right.”

“Because it's a citrus flavoured ice cream nanodesu.”

“Un, delicious~.”

“While Yoda-san is enjoying, I will dispose the garbage desu.”

“Aah... wait dispose?”

“Yes, disposing desu?”

.....

I was caught off guard again.

Not throwing away the garbage, but disposing it.

“What are you gonna do with the garbage?”

“I’ll do my best and burn it. Back at the city, a contractor would come and deal with the trash, but now we have to properly burn the trash. If not, it will turn into monsters desu.”

“Aah, it’s the same with garbage huh.”

After thinking it through, I guess it’s common sense.

For us humans living, it is almost impossible to completely use up our supplies, thus we have to properly dispose of the garbage.

It’s a world where all things come from dungeon drops, if you leave an item without supervision, then it will turn back into monsters.

In that case, it’s the same with garbage.

If you don’t eliminate it then it will turn into monsters.

Though initially I knew of this, but further thinking suggest that it’s a rather common thing to not know of it.

“I’ll help with the burning.”

As I said it, I took out my gun.

Emily, who knew of my Flame bullet immediately smiled.

“Thank you desu!”

We went outside the tent.

Different from the warm and lit tent, outside is a deserted wilderness, it’s like I just stepped into a different world.

Thus we left the garbage on the ground, kept a distance, and fired the gun.

Using the Flame bullet, the garbage was burned——but.

“Most of it isn’t burning nicely.”

“It’s difficult to dispose of a garbage nanodesu.”

“Though my line would be it should be normal to dispose of it.”

Though the sight in front of me is abnormal.

I then took out the other gun.

Same as before, I fired both my gun loaded with the Flame bullet, the bullets fused together and burned the garbage.

With an extremely intense bright flame which can blind someone when staring at it directly, the garbage is finally burned to crisp.

“With this we are done desu.”

“Aah.”

“If the garbage turns to monsters, we might have a problem nanodesu. Since it’s garbage, it won’t turn back to its original monster but into a different monster which is even more terrifying nodesu.”

“Now that is troubling.”

If someone were to illegally dump garbage somewhere, it would cause a lot of problems, no wait, there must’ve been such possibility, which would cause harm to others.

If disposing of garbage uses a fused flame bullets to properly burn it, then there must be incidents concerning such disposing of garbage.

This world’s garbage issue is unexpectedly a huge problem.

..Wait a minute.

“Emily, what did you say just now?”

“Yes desu?”

“The garbage will turn back into a different monster?”

“Yes desu. What seems to be the problem?”

“Then what would happen to the original drop?”

“There’s none? It turns into rogue monsters—Ah.”

After being told as such, Emily was startled.

Seems that she finally understood what I’m trying to say.

Since it’s confirm that rogue monsters won’t drop anything, BUT, that’s excluding me.

If I defeat a rogue monster, I would get a drop.

If that’s the case, what happens if garbage is spawn into a different monster?



After Emily finishes making supper, I took out the trash.

Bringing the garbage further away than usual, as far as the middle of the wilderness, I left it there and waited from afar.

While waiting for nearly ten minutes, the garbage shine brightly, and is transforming into a monster.

It was a human shape.

With a green skin full of patches, and a nail being stuck on it’s head, it’s a shape of a guy.

There’s only one word to describe this—It’s a “Frankenstein”.

“I’ll restrain it.”

After Emily said so, she took out her hammer and flew towards the monster.

While flying straight at the Frankenstein, she lifted up her hammer to strike it down.

The Frankenstein raised his arms and with a whack, intercepted the hammer.

It's dull, but a loud sound echoed.

Emily's hammer was completely stopped.

That hammer, which could break all those rock type monsters like it was nothing, was being stopped by this monster.

"Emily, retreat."

"Yes desu!"

While the person also knew of the circumstances, she flew back and landed beside me.

This time the Frankenstein pursued her, thus I used my gun and fired at its leg to stop its movement.

The normal bullet had no effect against it, just like the mummies.

The Flaming Bullet burned for a moment and disappeared, and when the Frozen bullet was shot it froze for a moment and melted immediately.

I tried firing more normal bullets at it, but all the shots had no effect on it, and the Frankenstein continued to move towards Emily.

"Emily, try striking at it again."

"Yes desu!"

She immediately responded to me, she rushed forward and stuck down with her hammer.

Again equally, the Frankenstein blocked the A Strength swing of a hammer with its own strength.

Though, it was successfully stopped.

At that exact moment, I loaded all my Flame Bullets into my gun.

I then aim at the Frankenstein and repeatedly fired the Flame Bullets, without leaving a single bullet. All of it turned into fused bullets.

It's skin full of patches was burned up. Since the blaze of a Flame fused bullet isn't going off, the Frankenstein was burned to crisped.

Eventually the body crumbled down to the ground, and it was turned to ashes.

"Thank you desu."

"This monster is unexpectedly formidable, unlike the one's we fought so far."

The leftover supper that Emily and I left as a garbage turned out to be an unexpectedly frightening monster.

Well that's that, let's just leave it as is, as long as we dispose of the garbage properly.

What's more important is that it dropped something.

While waiting with excitement, the Frankenstein vanished.

Clad in gold colour, It's a single bullet that I've never seen before in my life.

I can only use it once to determine the result.

Even if the effect of the bullet is bad but I'm really excited to see.

Chapter 34

A Homing bullet and a person who tries way too hard

A new bullet, with a golden coating on it. I eagerly loaded it into my gun.

I then brought a food ingredient to a distant place, and placed a carrot—which hasn't been turned into trash—on the ground.

I walked away, leaving a good enough distance, and waited patiently.

Emily was beside me, breathlessly watching over me. For some reason, she is even more nervous than I am, while having an expectant look on her face.

After awhile, the carrot then transform into a rogue monster, reverting back into a Drowsy Slime.

While taking a posture of aiming, I predicted the movement pattern of the Drowsy Slime that I've defeated many times in the past, and fired.

The bullet went flying straight towards it.

The Slime then jumped in front, drawing a trajectory of a parabola Descending as it is, the bullet will intersect with the slime.

But the bullet stopped midway and changed it's course!

The bullet turned to fit the orbital of the Drowsy Slime, and again descended in the parabolic trajectory.

And, it hit.

I kinda expected it to shoot through the Drowsy Slime, but this was far from what I'd expected.

“Yoda-san, Just now... it changed it's course... desu?”

“Aah, it did. Or more like the bullet's chasing the slime.”

“After all, it's as expected desu.”

“...A Homing bullet, I guess.” (*TLN: In the novel it's call Tracking bullet, but I felt that homing sounds better.*)

I tried reimagining back the scene that took place just now.

The trajectory of the bullet moved according to the trajectory of the Drowsy Slime.

“I wanna try it again. I wonder if we have more trash.”

“I'll make more desu!”

Immediately, Emily ran towards her baggage with a pitter patter sound, then using her hands skillfully boil some water and pour some tea.

The tea leaves—was turned into garbage. She left it at a far enough distance away from us, and came back here with the tea-cup on hand, passing it to me.

“Thank you, Emily. You should drink some too.”

“After I finished preparing then I will drink desu.”

After Emily finished saying, she turned back and prepared the next step.

After placing some carrots on the opposite direction of the garbage, she came back here.

The two of us are now enjoying our tea, while waiting.

The garbage then turned into a rogue monster, transforming into a Frankenstein, and immediately I burned it with the fusion Flame Bullets.

After picking up the Golden bullet dropped, the Drowsy Slime appeared just as Emily has timed it perfectly.

“Thank you.”

“Ehehe.....”

Emily became extremely happy because I praised her. After sending my gratitude, I loaded the golden bullet into my gun and *aimed at the opposite direction* and fired.

The bullet that was released from the gun immediately made a sharp curve.

Doing something abnormal by bending the trajectory of the bullet, it then pinpointed the Drowsy Slime and shot through it.

“Amazing... Yoda-san that's amazing desu.”

“Un, as expected, this is indeed a Homing Bullet.”

The bullet that was drop by the rogue monster of garbage is indeed a fairly useful substitute.



Staying up all night, I tested various things and gotten my results, and finally understood the characteristics of this homing Bullet.

First off, the bullet will absolutely succeed in aiming at the opponent that I want.

The Bat Slime, Cockroach Slime, and even the Snake Slime.

As a result, even these Slimes that tremendously moves at a fast pace, the Homing Bullet could still catch their movement and aim towards it.

The accuracy is 100%.

Incidentally, the output of the bullet is the same level as a normal bullet.

What this means is it's an upgraded version of the normal bullet but it can absolutely hit anything.

Being able to hit something with an accuracy of 100% sure is effective.

That was what I thought when seeing the actual number.



The next day, since I was testing the bullet for a really long time, I did not get a glimpse of sleep at all, and we have to set out again early in the morning.

When afternoon came, I saw something from afar.

A large amount of tents are being built around the entrance of the dungeon.

“Is that our destination nanodesu?”

“Seems like it. By the way, apparently the name of the dungeon is called Selenium.”

“The name sounds like a girl desu. What sort of monsters are inside?”

“Judging from the conversations that I heard from——”

While trying to remember the information that I heard in advance from the head of the dungeon, my eye caught sight of a different gathering spot that is further away from the dungeon and the tent.

Even from this distance, I clearly know what it was. A mountain of garbage.

.....But for me, I see it as though it's a pile of treasure, thus I went straight towards that mountain-like garbage.



After closing the distance of the Garbage mountain, I saw a beautiful girl with a long and luscious black hair.

Just taking a glance at her, this beautiful girl has a slim body of a model.

The girl took a deep breath, then below her feet a magical formation was created and enlarged, indicating that she's using magic.

From within her palm, a fireball appeared. She then fired it, aiming towards a part of the garbage.

Afterwards, the garbage is slowly burning up.

Judging from the momentum of the flame, the pace where it's burning is quite slow.

Though I've also experienced something like that yesterday, but the garbage in this world really has a characteristics of being hard to burn.

Though that's good and all.

“What is that person doing?”

“If I’m not mistaken, I think it’s the person in charge of disposing the garbage desu.”

“Disposing the garbage?”

“Similar to the city, there’s a lot of people around the dungeon, so if there are people living there must also be garbage around, so they have to appoint a person in charge of disposing the garbage nodesu.”

“Aah, I understand now.”

If I think about it, that’s true.

I then took a glance of where the direction of Selenium Dungeon is.

There’s a lot of tent being build there, and adventurers are present.

Hearing from the conversation I had with the dungeon chief, since it’s not the dungeon of neither Shikuro of Hetero, the drop from Selenium cannot be taxed by either city.

So that explains why there’s a part of adventurers that came here to earn some bucks.

And if there’s adventurers around, more garbage will accumulate and obviously they have to hire someone to dispose them.

Un, it’s an obvious natural cycle.

“Ah.”

“What’s wrong.”

“More garbage is being brought out from the dungeon.”

“You’re right—wait, isn’t the amount way more than what the girl was burning just now?”

“A lot desu.”

I was watching with Emily at the sight.

The only person in charge of disposing the garbage is the black-haired model girl.

The girl seems to be a magician specializing in fire magic to burn up the garbage, but it’s clearly shown that she could not keep up the pace with the abundant of garbage being brought to her.

Hence why there’s a mountain of trash right now.

“Ah! She’s staggering desu.”

“You’re right.”

Emily immediately ran ahead, while behind her I ran slightly later to catch up to her.

“Are you alright?”

“Who are you guys...?”

“Etto, we came here to inspect the dungeon.”

“I see. If you’re going to stay overnight at this section, then please do bring all your garbage here. It doesn’t need any classification, just bring it here and I’ll burn it all up.”

“That’s fine and all but... it’s better if you have some rest first desu.”

“Thank you, but I can’t do that. If I don’t hurry in disposing of all these garbage, it will affect the business activities of everyone.”

“But...”

“I’m fine.”

After the girl said so she then used her magic again, but.

The magic formation spread across from beneath her feet then immediately dissipates, and at the same time the girl was wandering.

“Are you alright desu!”

Emily then hug her in haste.

“I, I’m fine.”

Even though the girl is trying to act tough, I did not miss it.

Her beautiful face clearly has some dark circles beneath her eyes, and her face is turning pale.

Looking at her closely, she seems to be unhealthily losing weight.

I’ve seen it plenty of times during my working days, it’s the face of a person who worked overtime—over a 100 hours a month.

That girl then tried standing up on her own, and continued disposing the garbage.

She had a face that shows her conviction full of responsibility, but.

Without a word I loaded my bullets, and fired.

It’s the fusion of two Healing Bullets. A Sleeping Bullet was fired at the girl and she immediately fell to sleep.

“Emily, I leave the nursing to you.”

“I understand desu, I’ll take my leave from here nodesu.”

Emily who immediately understood my intentions, carried the girl away to a safe location.

Same as her, I draw a distance from the mountain of garbage.

It wouldn’t be weird if crows are flying on top of it, no matter how I look at it it’s a

mountain of garbage, but the me now sees it as a mountain of treasure.

After taking some distance, I loaded the bullet, and waited.

After waiting for a while, the garbage turned into rogue monsters one by one and all of it became Frankensteinssss.

I then defeat them one by one till the end.

And finally gotten hold of a huge amount of Homing Bullets.



“Uhh... n.”

Inside a tent, a beautiful girl has awaken.

Though she's still a little drowsy after opening her eyes, suddenly, she jumped up and focus on her surroundings.

“Please don't push yourself, it's best to rest for a while longer.”

She then immediately jumped out of the tent.

Emily and I wanted to chase her.

Though, the girl just stood there dumbfounded.

It was at the place where the mountain of garbage *was*, but now there's nothing there at all.

“...What in the world is happening.”

“I dispose of it in your stead.”

“You, you did?”

“Aah.”

While nodding, the girl stared straight at me.

She's staring at my shabby face——was what I thought.

Then her legs quivered, and she fell down on the ground.

“I’m glad.....”

“Eh?”

“Those adventurers who came here for income has increased day by day, and I was wondering what I was supposed to do because it exceeded my ability...”

“Is that so.”

That must’ve been troublesome for her.

“Thank you, really, thank you very much.”

The girl who fell on the ground stared straight up at me, and repeatedly thanked me.

As I was thinking, she suddenly fell down unconscious as if her battery has run out.

I quickly embraced her, and was amazed at how light she is.

I guess she really was trying her best.

“Emily.”

“Yes desu! I will make something energetic desu!”

Emily happily nodded, and started moving with a pittar patter sound.

As for now, I guess I should let this girl have some rest first.

As we thought so.

Chapter 35

The Homing Bullet's Power

After leaving the girl who has fallen exhausted to Emily, I decided to head straight to the dungeon.

First thing to report is of my arrival, and then gain some info of what I'm suppose to do next.

Gathering at the centre of Selen's entrance, is a bunch of tents being built, making it look like a battlefield going for war.

And in the centre of that, many adventurers are wandering around here and there, while pushing their magic carts with drop items inside.

Those adventurers who are pushing the magic carts then gathers at a place where few tents are built right each other, and they are then displaying their items for purchase.

Just by gazing at them for a short period of time, you already know that the buildings are just replaced with tents, though the atmosphere is similar to the life inside a city.

At that moment, I caught hold of a passing young adventurer, and ask about the location of the person in charge of Shikuro's Dungeon Association, and after confirming the location, I went straight there.

The tent that they built is certainly huge, and the design is similar to how the nomads build their tent.

They decorated their interior like an office, where several secretaries are busy running around, and there is a man in his thirties behind sitting down, seemingly the person in charge of this tent.

“Excuse me, I'm Satou Ryouta from Shikuro.”

“Oh, I was waiting for ya.”

After introducing myself, the man stood up with both his hands spreading wide, and came forward to my direction.

Because I show a gesture of asking for a handshake, the opposite smiled and grasped my hand.

“I have already received a message about you. Seriously, I can’t thank you enough for coming all this way. I’m the person in charge—my name’s Duke.”

“As previously mentioned, my name is Satou Ryouta.”

I introduced myself again, and immediately head straight to the point.

“Since I’ve only roughly heard what’s going on, but on what I’m actually here for, I do not know. Would you care to explain exactly what I’m suppose to do?”

“Obviously I will.”

Since the interior of the tent is built modelling after an office, there obviously is a sofa put inside the tent. Thus, Duke directed me there to have a talk.

“I’m sure you’ve heard about the information of investigating the rare monster’s drop, am I right?”

“Yeah.”

“Well about that, there’s some stuff that’s changed recently. That’s because Selen only has up till the tenth floor, and based on our recent survey, the drops of regular monsters are alternated accordingly as vegetables, meat, vegetable, meat and so on.”

“I see.”

“We have faced before this situation during the fight for other dungeons, but this time the drop of the rare monster are the same with vegetable, meat and vegetable accordingly.”

“Then isn’t there no point in investigating this any further?”

“But still, we have to decide whether the dungeon goes to either Shikuro or Hetero.”

Duke did not answer the question directly, and furthered the story.

And I nodded.

The conversation this time is a conflict between Shikuro and Hetero, the cities income, and because it's taxes we are talking about, it has to be made clear through black and white.

"Hence we made a deal, we agree upon whoever can find the most amount of rare monsters drop during the designated deadline, gets the rights for the dungeon. Since rare monsters are, in fact, rare, they are times where even if you defeat it an item would not necessarily drop, so during this period of time, we also agreed that whatever isn't drop from a rare monster is considered as "nothing" because it's difficult to prove. Of course there are times when the rare monsters really don't drop anything."

Well that is true, that there are monsters which doesn't drop anything.

"I understand, so basically I will just have to focus on defeating the rare monsters up until the fifth floor out of the ten floors, am I correct?"

Duke firmly nodded.

The conversation became simple.

If it's like that then it's easy to understand, since knowing what your objective and goal is makes it easier to act upon it.

"I got it, I'll immediately dive into the dungeon starting from tomorrow—"

"Don't worry about that, I made a reward for the adventurers."

"A reward?"

"If a rare monster appears—if they appear on the floor where vegetables are dropped, I would ask them to contact me, and over here—to cut it short basically all you have to do is go there and defeat it."

"Oh, I see."

Since the efficiency of me searching a rare monster alone is horrible, Shikuro's association then make adventurers give information about the rare monsters for a price, and I just have to go to that exact location and defeat it.

I thought that this is becoming more and more easy, and also easy to execute.



At that very same day we immediately got info of a rare monster.

Selen's first floor, that was the information given about a rare monster sighting over there.

Duke and I both went there, and few people are over there.

There's a young adventurer, whom he caught a slime-like monster.

The monster has a mollusk body where it is frantically trying to escape by wiggling its way out, but the adventurer is gripping it tightly, not letting it escape.

On one hand, not far away from the young adventurers lies a slightly elderly man, and an adventurer with a fearless face standing firm.

The elderly man took a glance at me and grinned.

How should I put it, I felt like I was being despised and felt strangely uncomfortable.

Being curious, I asked Duke.

“Who's that?”

“It's Harvard. Hetero dungeon's association's—he's the same as me, the person in charge.”

“So he's our rival huh.”

Now that he mentioned, he certainly does give off a person who is doing middle management job, in more ways than one.

“There's an adventurer behind him right? His name's Eugene. Although he is a skilled

adventurer. Just so you know, his Vegetation drop is F."

Drop rate of F on vegetation?

Why did Duke specifically mention about that?

There must be some explanation behind this, thus I tried thinking.

After giving it some thoughts, I suddenly got it.

"If you let an adventurer with the lowest vegetation drop to kill a rare monster that drops vegetables..."

"Then the chances of getting a drop from the rare monster significantly drops. And if this continues before the deadline——"

"In other words, he is a hindrance to our job."

I get it now, that's the reason why the opposite party is grinning so menacingly at us.

"What a sneaky bugger. However, it is a fact that he is a capable adventurer, nobody can stop him when he knocks down a rare monster, even I can't stop him."

"That's a given."

Because of his Drop being F, if he were to defeat it, then nothing will be dropped. If Emily were to know about this, something bad might happen.

Is it because the Drop rate is F, if one were to aim for a reversal then it is permissible to defeat a rare monster.

This is a difficult job for us as it substantially interferes with us—as Duke said it's a troubling matter at hand.

"Anyways, we will win this time. That adventurer has a deal with us, besides capturing the monster Eugene cannot kill it, that's cause the adventurer who secured the monster cannot defeat it without authorization."

"I'll defeat it right now."

“I’m counting on you.”

I took out my gun, and loaded the normal bullet.

Since it’s an ally adventurer who caught hold of it, I thought that it was okay with just using a normal bullet.

“Please hold on to it as it is.”

“Leave it to me.”

The young adventurer firmly nodded.

I positioned my gun, and just in case I had both my guns out, and fired at the monster with the fusion high-powered penetrating bullets.

The bullet went through the monster and it cracked like a crescent moon.

I looked up——and thought.

At the same time when the Harvard guy was grinning, the monster regenerated back.

As it was regenerating the volume increased, and it fell down to the ground from the young adventurer’s hand.

“That is.”

Hetero side’s adventurer, the person who introduced himself as Eugene said in a shy voice.

“There is a nucleus somewhere in the body. If you can’t destroy the nucleus it will regenerate again, and when it regenerates it will become stronger, it’s that kind of monster.”

“The placement of the nuclear vary from individual to individual, and the person who could find it and destroy it is none other than Eugene.”

Harvard then added.

“Plus if you blindly defeat it, it will turn even stronger, and it would endanger others.”

So you should let us handle it.”

After Harvard finish saying, he gave an even more delightful expression, showing as if he is undoubtedly the winner.

Duke who heard it had a displeased expression.

“Gu gu gu..... Seeing that you’re awfully calm and composed, I see that’s what you’re trying to pull.”

Regretting, he showed me an apologetic face.

“I’m sorry, we are lacking in information. We will immediately find the weakness of this monster, let’s—”

Duke is facing defeat---wanting to declare a withdrawal right now, I then switch to a different bullet and loaded it into my gun, then pulled the trigger towards the day after tomorrow(blindly shoot) without uttering a word.

This should work—while having such half-hearted thought I fired, the bullet then drew a trajectory like a boomerang and flew towards the monster that is bouncing around and went through it.

The monster that was shot, like before was cracked into a crescent moon—and without regenerating it crumbled.

“Wha——”

“Did you just hit the core?”

Both person from Hetero side immediately changed their expression.

Harvard was dumbfounded, and Eugene had a really displeased expression on his face.

While ignoring them, I stared at the monster that was crushed.

Immediately after the monster disappeared——a bean sprout dropped.

Looking at it closely, the sprout is gold in colour and it’s huge—it’s a soya bean.

A bean sprout... for a rare monster it does drop some shabby item.

“As you can see it’s a vegetable.”

Duke stared back at them, and made a speech as if he declared victory.

The two Hetero members had a mortified expression, and stormed out of the dungeon.

I guess it’s our victory for now.

After they disappeared for good, Duke caught hold of my hands and grasped them.

“Thank you! Seriously thank you for coming here!”

He thanked me many times.

To be able to fulfill the request immediately, I was relieved and felt a sense of satisfaction.

Chapter 36

A good place to earn

I've gotten a "Money in an envelope" from Duke.

It's a reward for having defeated a rare monster on the first floor of Selen. While handing them the drop, it adds another "point" to Shikuro's side.

The company that I worked for, I have received a "Money in an envelope" only once. At that time the contents were 5k yen. Strangely, I remembered having a subtle feeling of saying "It's not Yukichi!".

After separating from Duke, I opened the envelope and peaked inside.

It was 100k Piro.

As mentioned, the money in this world is known as Piro, and it has about the same value as yen.

I was pleasantly surprised to see 100k Piro inside the seal.



Since I finished earlier than expected, I decided to stay at Selen's first floor for awhile.

I then walked around the dungeon.

There are quite a few adventurers walking around which, compare to Teruru in Shikuro is way more.

Almost everyone's eyes are glittering.

As soon as a monster appears, they jump on it and knock it down.

Everyone is high spirited because of the fact that they could earn a lot of money without having to pay for tax.

The monster here are slime, though they are different from Teruru's slime.

The body looks mottled, and turns into a rainbow color, making it vibrant and colourful.

As one approaches me, I pulled out my gun with the usual bullet inside.

The bullet was shot at the rainbow-coloured slime, and something was dropped.

It was a soybean that is roughly the size of a palm.

The rare monster's drop soybean, even the ordinary monsters drop soybeans too.

Since I'm here anyways, I decided to earn some income, thus I went further into the dungeon.

I was also implicitly glancing over at other adventurer's earnings.

As I walked for 10 minutes, I sort of figured out.

It seems that there are no difference in the drops regardless of whether me or the other adventurers defeat the monsters.

Even if I defeated it, or even if some other adventurer defeats it, it will always be a drop of soybean.

The only difference is that I will always get a drop when defeating the monster, but the rest of the adventurers won't always get a drop from the monster.

Selen's first floor, seems like the advantage I have for having a Drop rate of S is that I will always get a drop.

After sort of figuring things out—something caught my attention.

A Furaibo looking swordsman. Like the wind he cut a slime, and from that slime two soybeans dropped.

“Oh, now that is lucky.”

“Lucky? What's happening?”

I unexpectedly asked the Furaibo man.

“Is this your first time here?”

“Yeah, I just arrived today.”

“I see. Well you see, the monster’s here in Selen has their own characteristics. They have drop points that are different for each monster. If you attack that specific point and defeat it, your drop will doubled.”

“So that’s how it is.”

“It’s a special feature only in Selen, but that’s the reason why everyone is crazy over coming here to earn some money.”

I see, so that’s the reason why all those adventurers are in such high tension.

Since you aren’t charged with tax, and in some cases you get a double drop.

Yeap, obviously that’s going to raise some tension.

“You should also do your best.”

“Yeah, same to you.”

The Furaibo man smiled broadly, and went back to defeat more monsters.

I processed the information I’d gotten from the conversation earlier.

Thus I remembered the rare monster that I defeated just a moment ago.

It has a similar appearance, and similar properties.

Although for the rare monster, you cannot defeat it unless you find it’s weakness, but for the ordinary monsters you can easily defeat them, but if you defeat them at specific places, you can double your drop.

These are the traits of this dungeon.

If that’s the case, then that means.

While walking around, I spotted a rainbow coloured slime.

I took out my gun and loaded the Homing Bullets, staggered on purpose and fired.

The bullet bent, and penetrated at the edge of the slime's body.

It pierced through a blue part of the slime—and the drop doubled...

I tried searching for more. This time I also used the Homing bullet and shot at the slime, and it penetrated a red part which is at the center of the body.

The dropped soybean again doubled.

Searching for the monster, and finding them, then firing the Homing bullets.

The drop point really differs from individual to individual. The location of the body is different, and even the colour is different.

I tried shooting them using normal bullets, and also using the Flaming bullets which burned them whole, but with that it was still one drop.

Unless you shoot them at a specific point, then the drop doubles.

It was because of the newly acquired Homing Bullet that I can do this 100% of the time.

While feeling that this will be the main force in Selen, defeating the monster, and having drop rate S which drops 100% of the time, plus using the Homing bullet to get double the drop.

In addition, it is tax free which means getting extra income out of it.

On this day, the earnings I'd gotten at this dungeon exceeded over 500k Piros.

Chapter 37

Thanks to Emily

After cashing in the money earned earlier today, I went back to where Emily was.

The tent was not at it's original location——was what I thought when I walk for awhile, the tent was moved nearby the garbage.

After getting close to the tent, I went inside.

“I’m back, wow.....”

The moment I stepped foot inside, my body is being enveloped by warmth.

It’s not like outside was particularly cold, nor was it that hot inside.

But, it just feels me with warmth.

Wait no, this is happiness.

This warmth called happiness is gently wrapping my entire body.

Even though it’s just a tent, but this feeling.

“Welcome back desu~.”

Well, all of these feelings are hugely thanks to Emily.

While naturally smiling from side to side, she sweetly smiled back.

“I’m back, sorry for being out late.”

“That’s okay, thank you for the usual hard work nanodesu.”

“Anything happened? Seems like the tent was being moved abruptly.”

“Yes desu. Since there are people throwing more garbage at the original spot, we have to leave that location although not far away from it, in case the garbage all turned into rogue monsters.”

“I see.”

While lightly nodding, I looked at the corner of the tent.

There, the tall and beautiful girl that we helped earlier was still sleeping.

Though, it seems that the difficult expression that was covering her face earlier has disappeared—she is sleeping soundly, so I left her for the time being and talked to Emily.

“I’ve already dive into the first floor of Selen Dungeon.”

“How was it?”

“I think it’s quite an interesting place.”

The characteristics of the monster, if you hit the specific part of the body and defeat it, it’s drop will be doubled.

Moreover, by using my Homing Bullets to defeat them, together with the tax exemption, I was able to earn 100% from the drops that I’ve collected.

Although Emily was attentively listening to my story, but, seems like she thought of something and tilted her small head.

“What’s wrong.”

“Yoda-san, seems like you’ve used up a lot of those Homing Bullets?”

“Ah, on the second half of the day—well, I guess I used up two-thirds of my Homing Bullets.”

“Then isn’t it kind of waste? Since if I’m not mistaken, you have to use two of your Flaming Bullets in order to get 1 Homing Bullet.”

“Now that you mention, it was that kind of ratio.”

After being told, I just realized.

The most effective way of defeating the Frankenstein monster that was *hatched* from the garbage is by using a fused Flaming bullet.

So after calculating everything thus far, a Flame Bullet is obtain through absorbing the seeds into the box and releasing them, which means I have to defeat two zombies in order to get one, and if I wanted to get 1 Homing Bullet, I would have to kill 4 zombies in total.

Of course, all monsters can be defeated with bare hands.

After listing it out, it's easy to understand the conversion of bullets.

Following my calculation, it's as Emily said, this might be "a waste".

"It's alright."

"It's okay desu?"

"Yeah, because having elixirs but not using them is a stupid principle. Because the most effective way of defeating those monsters in that dungeon is by using the Homing bullet, thus I used it."

"I don't know what Elixir means but... I got it desu."

Emily nodded, seemingly convinced.



"My name is Celeste."

After the tall beautiful girl woke up, she introduced herself.

While sitting up straight in the tent, she looked around the elegant surroundings after introducing herself.

Though, I think she was just feeling awkward.

While looking around the tent, she had a curious and troubled expression.

I know what she was worried about as I've been through it before too.

"It's her, Emily's special abilities(work of art.)"

"Fue?"

The person whom I introduced——Emily, let out an interesting voice.

"Even if it's a run-down apartment or a new home, or even this tent, it is because of her god-like skill that turns them into a godly warm place like a sacred temple."

"Really! That is totally amazing!"

"Th-th-th-th That's not true nodesu! I'm just normally cleaning and arranging the place, that's all."

"I know, I know~"

While shrugging, I purposely agreed and nodded.

"Only a genius would say that his/her talent they own is normal."

"Eeeeeehhhh!"

"I totally get what you mean! A talented person would not think that they have talent as if not seeing a spec of dust."

"Right, right! They would say things like "Eh, isn't that normal?" or something."

"And then proceed with "Why can't y'all do it?" which in return troubles us."

"I KNOW RIGHT!"

"Uuuu....."

Emily made an extremely troubled expression.

Immediately afterwards her face turned bright red.

"I, I will go and pour some tea desu."

After saying, she immediately ran out of the tent.

Adorable~

After Emily was gone, only Celeste and I were left behind in the tent.

The girl looked at me, and once again, she bowed down deeply.

“Thank you very much for letting me rest at your place.”

“Don’t mind, it’s something that anyone will do. Moreover, why is it that only you are the only one in charge of disposing the garbage? Won’t it be even more problematic if you don’t quickly dispose of the garbage and more are piled up one after the another?”

“At first, I could manage it somehow. But information flowed that it seems that this dungeon’s tax preferential treatment is about to end. Thus before it is over, every adventurer bombarded this area, and that is why.”

“I understand.”

Probably a lot of people have heard of the agreement between the two associations, Shikuro and Hetero.

Naturally, if they decided on which city this dungeon is under the jurisdiction of, taxes will be embedded. Thus adventurers take this opportunity to earn some cash.

“That’s right, how long was I asleep?”

“Probably half a day, plus the sun is about to set.”

“That’s bad.”

Celeste then abruptly ran out of the tent.

Going to a place that is slightly away from the tent, where the distance is almost safe for the rogue monsters to not spawn, there, a mountain of garbage was stacked earlier.

That amount is almost like a few worth of garbage trucks.

In just half a day, it became like that.

“As I suspected, the amount increased.”

“That’s right.”

“I’m sorry, I’ll clean it up immediately.”

I nodded.

I really don’t feel like wasting any more special bullets, but it can’t be helped.

Celeste then stood in front of the pile of garbage, and below her feet a magic formation enlarged.

“Ooh!?”

Without thinking I let out my voice.

The magic circle was larger than when we first met, and the magic circle shined brightly.

Celeste hold up her hands, and a pale flame appeared enveloping the mountain of garbage——and in a moment it turned into ashes.

“Fuuu.....”

That’s impressive, I didn’t know she was a person with high magical power.

While thinking so, Celeste took a step back. Just like Emily, she briskly walked away from that location and came back here, smiled and bowed.

“Thank you, it’s because you helped me.”

“Fue !?”

“It’s because you let me rest at your tent, and my magic was able to recover way more than usual. Really, thank you so much. You’re an amazing person.”

“I, I’m just normally——”

Emily, who was being praised, for some reason I was also happy about it.

It's amazing that a 130 centimeter girl with Strength A could swing that hammer.

What's more, she was the one who made our houses so warm.

I'm really blessed that I have such an amazing person to happily and mercilessly do all these whether it is a tent or not.

"Yeap yeap, it's all because of Emily~"

"Fueeeeeee!?"

"It's thanks to Emily, that Celeste—who previously could not catch up with everyone's garbage by herself—finishes her job. Emily is truly supporting everyone's life."

"Th, th-th-that's a little too much nanodesu."

"It's not a lot in the least."

"I also agree. I want to talk about you to everyone right now."

"Please stop it desu, if you do that I will really die desu."

Emily's face was bright red like a boiling octopus being lifted up when Celeste and I were praising(teasing) her.

Nevertheless we didn't care, and Celeste continued thanking her. In the end it made Emily squirm.

Chapter 38

The Gratitude of a million Piro

On the next day, I went out to Selen's first floor early in the morning.

Using the Homing Bullets, I'm earning double the income.

By guiding the Slimes who were flying towards me on top of the Magic Cart, I then shoot them using the Homing Bullet, and let the double drop smoothly fall into the cart.

Even though I have a Homing Bullet, it's funny that I still have to guide them before shooting them.

Before you know it, I've already collected a full load of soybeans, and thus head out of the dungeon and sell them off.

A full load of soybeans in the magic cart is around one thousand pounds——since I weigh around 70 pounds, I'm guessing it's roughly around 1 ton.

After selling it I earned a total of 80k Piro—quite a sum if I do say so myself.

Using the Magic cart's calculation function, I earned a total of 200k Piro before noon.



“Celeste.”

“Ryouta-san.”

After going through my third round of selling off the drops, somehow I bumped into Celeste while I was hanging around at the dungeon.

Even with the crazy amount of people crowded in the middle of it, she still stood out. A girl with a long and luscious hair and a height capable of being a model, while putting her hands up high and stretching her spine... Truly is——in a good way, a remarkable

sight to see, which attracted people's attention.

"What are you doing?"

"Shopping for some daily necessities."

"I see."

Nodding, I looked around.

"There's quite a number of shops around. They range from liveware to luxury goods, and they're also selling jewelry-wait, why jewelry?"

"Jewelry does sell well in these kinds of places."

"How so?"

"The adventurers that came to earn some cash, their pockets should be warm."

"Aah, it's warm alright."

Cause I'm also one of them.

With yesterday's 500k Piro and today's 200k Piro, I've already earned a total of 700k Piro quickly.

"What's more they would wanna get some souvenirs before going back. In that case, things like accessory or jewelry will sell well as the ladies would wanna get them."

"It also appeals to the guys."

I, who understood this became sort of sad.

Even though we have earn a sum of money, but we spend to appeal to the girls using gifts.

I looked at the stores that are displaying a variety of accessories.

My beloved gun, I felt like it's presence instilled something on me.

Now that I think about it, during the time when I got hold of my second gun, I promised Emily that I would give something to her as thanks, and was procrastinating for a really long time.

.....Fumu.



It's not about the appearance, but because of gratitude.

And because of that gratitude, I wasted all my wealth.

“No, think of it as a cheap way of getting out of it.”

While convincing myself, I came to believe that it was indeed *normal*.

Together with the income I've earned in two days, plus the savings that I have from Shikuro.

A ring that is worth a million Piro, is currently wrap in a box and is inside my pocket.

Just by glancing at it, I thought to myself that this ring would definitely suit Emily.

Even though I just spent a million for it, because I want her to feel appreciated, I promptly decided to purchase it.

Right now, I'm holding onto it and head back to the tent where Emily is.

Naturally my footsteps quicken, and I was getting extremely nervous that my heart was pounding.

Without paying attention to my surroundings, I unintentionally stumbled, and was about to drop the ring in the box.

While in midair I hurriedly caught hold of it, and breathe a sigh of relief.

“.....Mu?”

As I was about to drop the box, smack, an idea struck on me.

The sensation is as if a white thunder fell onto me, and that sensation inspired me.

What was that? What was I thinking just now?

While contemplating, I can't remember.

Although I had an idea but it immediately slipped past me and I've forgotten about it, but the feeling is still stuck to my head.

But I really want to remember it.

In such case, I will repeat back my actions.

Since repeating my actions, might make me remember back.

I went back to my previous spot, and again remembering how I walked, and then accidentally stumbled and lose the grip of the box.

Then hurriedly catch it—oh I remembered.

Just went I caught hold of the ring——it slipped out of my hands.

This ring, is also a dungeon drop.

According to the laws of this world, what that means is that If I were to lose it, it will turn into a rogue monster.

Plus this is outside the dungeon, and rogue monsters don't usually drop any items.

But, if I were to defeat it I will definitely get a drop, what's more it's not an ordinary drop at that.

“.....1 Million Piro.”

I really wanna know what the rogue monster of this ring drops.

Being curious, but also wanna return the gratitude towards Emily.

I'm troubled.



Not far from Selen dungeon, a secluded area.

I left the box with the ring in it on the ground, and took a distance.

“I’m sorry Emily.”

In the end, curiosity got the best outta me, and I’m now turning the ring into a rogue monster.

For Emily tomorrow—no the day after tomorrow.

I’ll do my best in earning, and convince myself that I will go and get the same ring again after earning the money.

Afterwards, I waited.

While having the gun in both hands, I stared at the box.

After what feels like an eternity, the box cracked, and a monster appeared from within.

The shape of the monster resembles that of a human, but it’s clearly not a human.

It’s several times more macho than an average human, and the hair and skin are burning in a bright red colour.

Ifrit, that name naturally came out of my mind.

While holding onto my dual guns, I loaded the Freezing Bullets, and fired.

The bullets then froze the flames, causing a cold steam to be released into the air.

Though, that was only for a moment.

The fire spirit ate my bullets and was frozen for just a moment, and the ice immediately melted off.

It then shot a burst of flame towards me, so I dodged and fired another round.

Although I was about to fire and fuse both the bullets while aiming at it, I had to dodge its attack while firing and the fusion failed and normally shot it.

Both the Freezing Bullet hit the target, and this time the range of the ice has gotten larger.

Then it was being melted, and melted, though this time it took longer than usual.

Though it's probably just my imagination, but the spot that I fired, the colour of the flame has seemingly turned darker.

“Looks like it's working.”

With that in mind, I immediately fired all the rounds of the Freezing Bullet.

Then, the fire spirit, was hit by the Freeze Bullet one after the another.



The spirit was defeated, and an item has dropped.

“Isn't this the same ring just now.....?”

The ring that was on the ground, when I appraised it, it's exactly the same ring that I bought just now.

Even though it's outside the dungeon, something like this can happen too.

To be honest, I was expecting that if I were to defeat a 1 million piro worth ring, I would get a weapon stronger than my guns right now.

Of course I executed it, but this was the result.

Guess it can't be helped, let's just put it off as I can get back the ring without buying it again.

Since it's originally a present for Emily, I then pick it up.

The moment I pick it up with my hands——

—All drop rate is now +1

A voice was heard.

It's the same voice as when I pick up the seeds.

Is this the same as that? Wait, this is strangely different.

When I pick up the seeds, it will immediately disappear from the palm of my hands, but the ring did not do so.

“.....”

I purposely drop the ring, and once again pick it up.

—All drop rate is now +1

Again, the voice was heard.

I feel like I understand what's going on.

If it doesn't disappear, then this must be an equipment.

And if you equip this onto yourself, the effect would be something like a status up effect.



I brought Emily near the entrance of the dungeon where the Know-It-All board is displayed.

“Is there a reason why we are here desu?”

“Please wear this.”

“This is——Fueeeeeee!?”

Emily toppled when she looked at the ring.

“Th, th-th-th-this is!?”

“This is my gratitude for you, please accept it.”

“Bu, but.....”

I looked at Emily who was lost in words.

Emily who was staring straight at me looks like she had a hundred expression on her face.

She was surprised, and then was worried, then right after her face was bright red.

In the end she nodded and timidly come closer, and received the ring.

“Aah.....”

As soon as she received it, she looked at the Know-It-All board.

“You heard it too?”

“Yes desu.”

“Let’s test it out.”

Emily who nodded again, then skillfully operated the Know-It-All board as if she’s used too it.

Skipping the first page, she went to the second page.

---- 2 / 2 ----
Vegetation D (+1)
Animal E (+1)
Mineral E (+1)
Magic E (+1)
Special Item E (+1)

Displayed in front of us, was a status that we have not come across before.

As I suspected, it’s one of those equipment.

“I’m glad.”

“Yes desu, though this is the first time seeing such display, but that comes to show that it’s Yoda-san’s strength desu.”

Emily, who has been with me for really long time has gotten the answer right away, but that doesn’t matter right now.

I repositioned myself, and looked at her, and said.

“Thank you for everything once again, can you please receive this?”

“.....Yes.”

After a short period of silence, Emily looked extremely happy, and shyly nods.

“Thank you very much.”

And, she grasped the ring with both hands and embraced it ever so gently.

Chapter 39

For your sake

Selen Dungeon, the second floor.

Emily and I just arrived that floor, and am currently looking for monsters.

While we were strolling around the floor, something popped out from the ground, one after the another.

It is Selen's second floor's monsters, Treant.

When you look at it from the side, the old tree looks about 3 meters tall, but as we approach it, it responded to our movements and attacked us by using its branch like a tentacle to reach us.

We immediately dodged, and I looked at Emily.

She is gazing at the Treant with a serious expression, while also holding onto her huge hammer which is larger than her actual body.

“Well then, shall we?”

“Yes desu.”

Emily takes a deep breath, holds her hammer and jumped.

And on her fingers, was the ring that I gave her as a present.

The Treant then uses its branch as a means of attacking by whipping it at Emily's position when she jumped.

I supported her from behind by shooting.

I fired the normal bullets to repel the attacks of the branch.

As Emily steadily approached it, she jumped high up towards the Treant and rushed down with her hammer facing downwards!

Beki!

It was a sound of woods breaking, and the branches of the Treant was smashed in half.

“Did we do it?”

“Hya!”

Just when Emily falls down and landed on the ground, the Treant counter attacks.

After attacking Emily with the remaining branches that it had—pushing her backwards, the crushed branches began to regenerate.

It regenerated at a rapid speed, taking only around 5 seconds to completely recover it's branches.

“This seems to be the same as the Rare Slimes from above. I understand now, that Selen has a lot of monsters that has a self-regenerating feature... Emily.”

“I'm alright!”

Once again, Emily jumped up, and used her hammer to repeatedly smash at it.

Her action reminded me of making mochi... though this thought was going through in my mind right now.

Emily was attacking while leaving herself wide open, resulted in the Treant being smashed to pieces.

The Treant that was damaged beyond repair, made a ‘Pon’ sound and disappeared while standing.

“It seems that hitting at it diligently is okay too.”

“Yeap desu.”

Emily was nodding, making a face, saying she was reliable.

Even though the Treant was defeated, no item was dropped. We didn't mind it and continued searching for more monsters.

Immediately after, we found another Treant being risen from the ground.

Emily jumped at it before it could fully grow out from the ground, it's her philosophy of whoever strikes first wins.

This time she didn't need any assistance from me, and defeated it in one strike.

An item was then dropped.

The old tree made a 'Pon' noise and disappeared. What dropped was a meat.

It was a rather juicy and appetizing looking chicken breast.

So it's breast meat, I wonder if the price is cheap.

While I was having such thoughts.

"It dropped something desu....."

Emily went in front of the drop and picked it up from the ground, and trembled while making an exciting sound while looking at me.

"Is it that important?"

"My drop rate is F desu. Although people say that F and E are the lowest drop rate, but in contrast it's actually a rather big difference. For those who have every Drop as F would usually be called as "F Final", that even some dungeon's prohibits these adventurers from even entering the first floor."

"Is that so. No wonder they send someone with F drop rate."

Emily tilted her head with a question mark on her head.

Thus, I talked to her about the person in Hetero that was hired with a considerable strength, which is Eugene.

Even though his combat power is amazing, but in the end, his Vegetation drop rate is

F.

“There are also these kinds of strategies huh.”

Emily was strangely admired by it.

After awhile, she took the dropped chicken breast and puts it into the Magic cart. She looked up and stared at me.

“Yoda-san, I’m really grateful for what you’ve done.”

“I’m glad that you are pleased with it.”

“I’ve actually never heard about this kind of equipment before. As expected, it’s because it’s from Yoda-san desu?”

The second half of Emily’s words was muffled.

Drop rate of S, at this moment it is a secret between us only, and Emily is the only one who knows about this.

That’s the reason why she muffled her voice when talking about this.

“That’s correct. I turned it back into a rogue monster, and defeated it again.”

“I knew it... as expected of Yoda-san desu.”

Well then, we have finally checked on the effects of this ring.

After this, it’s back to leisurely hunting monsters and earning more money.

“With this..... even if it’s animals or minerals..... I can finally follow wherever Yoda-san is going.....”

While muttering such words, she rubbed the ring on her fingers, while showing a gentle expression.

Though I could not clearly hear what she murmured, but it was worth it to give her the ring as she had a really happy expression on her face right now.

Suddenly, Emily was surprise attacked by a monster!

It didn't come from the ground, but was born from the wall beside her.

A sharp tentacle branch split in the air and attacked her.

“Emily !”

“——!”

Emily quickly flew back after responding to my words.

The monster attack the spot where she was standing a moment ago and made a dent on the ground.

“Are you alright?”

“Yes desu.”

“I'm glad.”

“Moreover, about this tree, isn't it different from the ones just now?”

“Mu?”

Emily, who was alright, answered me, and I looked at the monster.

Just looking at it, it is just a normal old tree, but the colour of the branches are different, plus the face looks like an old man with a goatee.

What's more the size is one size larger, and there's a sort of atmosphere around it.

It's just as she, said it's different from the rest.

I looked around me, and the adventurers were fighting the Treant which was similar to what we were fighting just now, but this one is clearly different from the rest.

“So this must be the rare monster on this floor.”

“It must be desu—Hya!”

The rare Treant stretched its branch towards Emily, which is sharper than usual, and Emily immediately guards it with her huge hammer. She was sent flying away.

“Emily!”

“I’m okay desu!”

Emily landed and held onto her hammer—seems like it didn’t take a lot of damage.

“This—”

I took a posture with my gun——at that moment, I hesitated.

Selen’s second floor’s monster, their drops are meat.

And this rare monster’s drop is most certainly meat too.

Though I have no way of confirming it, but theoretically it should be correct, the only way to know is by getting evidence.

Shikuro, and Hetero both have it.

This monster, will surely drop some sort of meat.

“There it is, the Bearded Treant.”

“Ah, damnit, I really wanted it.”

“Don’t drop, don’t drop, don’t drop.”

Without realizing, some adventurers were gathering around us.

It must be because of this rare monster——I mean the Bearded Treant that if you get a drop you can head over to Hetero’s association and will be rewarded handsomely by them.

Similarly to what I got from Shikuro when defeating the rare monster on the first floor.

And only that person who gets the drop, will he be able to get the reward.

Plus, whoever sees the monster and gets into a battle with it first, other adventurers are forbidden to interfere with it unless they could not defeat it.

That's the reason why the other adventurers are praying that I don't get a drop.

Cause if I don't get any drop, then it would leave a chance for others to get the reward.

Though, unfortunately for them, my drop is S.

If I were to defeat this, I will definitely get a drop.

What should I do?

If I were to defeat it, I would be giving Hetero a point which nullifies what I did previously.

That is——rather stupid.

Swoosh, I saw a familiar face from the crowd of adventurers.

It is the person responsible for Hetero dungeon's association, Harvard.

Harvard looked at me, and faintly laughed at me.

Did he see through me?

Did he really see through the reason I was troubled?

There's a possibility, if the ability of the adventurer is high then so is his drop rate, what it means is that no one would imagine that there's anything wrong with it.

Harvard probably saw through it,

Looking at him closely, there's another person standing beside him.

It wasn't Eugene, but a different person with an aura around him.

Like Harvard, I knew what he was thinking.

That guy most probably has an Animal drop rate of A.

Hetero side most likely put a prize money from gaining information just like us, and quickly rushed at the scene when a rare sight is mentioned.

After looking more closely it seems that on the opposite side stood Duke—which is the representative of Shikuro association is here too.

He also had a troubled expression as he looked at me.

Whenever something happens, the scene is soon filled with a crowd of curious onlookers, especially the two representatives.

I can't keep delaying this anymore... if that's the case!

“Emily!”

“Yes desu!”

The moment I called for her, a wind passed by my side.

It was Emily who ran through the side of me, with her 130 centimeter tall body, carrying her huge hammer.

She glanced at me, and threw something towards me...

I instantly caught hold of it—it was the ring that I gave her as her present.

It seems that Emily knew what I was thinking.

No, it's probably that she had already thought of it way before me, because she has already experienced having an Animal Drop rate of F for many years.

That very girl is now challenging the Bearded Treant.

My own drop—she tried to take advantage of her originally having F drop rate by removing the ring.

“I'll assist you.”

I loaded the Freezing Bullet into my gun, and rapidly fired at the ground.

The goatee old tree's leg——I mean trunk, was frozen, plus, the tentacle branches was frozen up too.

I've completely sealed it's movement, and Emily proceeded to jump towards it.

“Yaaaaaaa!”

Emily dashed at the Treant with her hammer. She jumped and positioned her hammer downwards.

In a flash, the dungeon shook by that one attack.

Emily managed to defeat the Bearded Treant in one blow.

The rare monster disappeared——and nothing dropped.

The adventurers around us were happy that nothing was dropped, and finally dispersed from our location.

Harvard, who had a faint smile on his face understood the reason behind why *Emily was the one defeating it*, immediately had a difficult expression and walked away with the adventurer he brought.

When Harvard left, I went close to Emily, and held the ring out to her.

“Thanks Emily.”

“No problem desu~”

“I'm impressed, before I could ask you've already went ahead and defeated it.”

“I remember about the conversation we talked about just now.”

“I see.”

“I'm happy that I was of help to Yoda-san. It was worth considering what I could always do to help you desu.”

Emily cried out, and said that with a smile on her face.

My chest, was feeling slightly hot.

“Thank you, you really help me.”

Smiling back at Emily, I held her hands, and passed the ring back.

Really happy, she carefully received it as if it is something important.

I was happy and excited for her.

Probably because if I defeat other rogue monsters, I could get an item similar to the ring.

Compared to the seeds the item can actually give a status effect, and if you remove it, the effect will be lost, so you can fluctuate the effects freely.

I understood that this would lead to various possibilities, and became even more excited.

“Thank you! Thank you Satou-san!”

“Wow!”

“Really, thank you again, for having the idea of not defeating it yourself so you won’t get the drop. Really, thank you so much.”

Duke, who realised our plan that Emily had a low drop rate, thanked me over and over again.

Chapter 40

Equipment that only I can equip

The next day, I ventured into the inner depths of Selen's dungeon where I ended up on the first floor. The action that I'm performing on that very floor is encountering slimes from one end and penetrating their liquefied figure with the Homing Bullets.

With me having my drop rates reaching all S, I will 100% be guaranteed of a drop, plus with the Homing Bullet I can get double the drop.

Using the strongest pattern I thought of on Selen's first floor, whilst being inexorable, my mind is but an empty state, where the only thing capable of processing was my working mode of attaining more earnings.

Why am I only at the first floor, one might ask? To put it in a better perspective, if I were to be on the second floor, where my tasks is to defeat those Treant monsters, then I would not be able to switch into inexorable mode where I can mindlessly murder the monsters the moment they appear at the corner of my eyes. What's more, we had a recent incident occurring on the second floor where we defeated a Rare Treant.

At this moment, incident will result in failure. Thus, without having to worry about the bothersome issues, I decided to earn my income on the first floor.

I looked at my Magic Cart filled with soybeans, signalling the end of my hunting session. I decided to head out from the dungeon, and sold the soybeans off, earning me a total of around 80k Piros.

Then, doing this repetitive task three times. And on the third round, I unfortunately ran out of Homing Bullets, so the efficiency of getting drops had indeed fallen, thus ending my session early. I decided to retreat back to the surface.

The grand total of my income was 200k Piro.

At last, this will be the amount I need to test out some theories I'd thought up.



Gathering a large distance away from the dungeon, I reached at a secluded area, where not even a soul was here.

The dungeon, the tents, the crowd of people, even mountain of garbage that Celeste has to deal with seemed really small from my vision. With that, I took out a bag.

Splurging today's income of 200k Piro, I bought myself 4 types of bracelets.

And these bracelets each have their own different gem attached to it.

A pink colour Sapphire.

An orange colour Sapphire.

A white Pearl.

And a red Ruby.

With all these in the bag, it was a total sum of 200k Piro.

If I divide it, one of each bracelet would be exactly 50k, which is a twentieth of Emily's ring that I gotten for her as a present.

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It's not about the price, yes.

Gathering back my senses, I first grab hold of the pink Sapphire and placed in on the ground, then walk a fair amount of distance away from it.

With both my beloved guns loaded with the Flame and Freeze bullet, I patiently waited in alert.

The Flame and Freezing bullets, when fighting an unknown monster, is the combination I use as that can deal with most situations.

But of course without endangering myself, I came prepared to immediately reload the normal bullets or Healing Bullets for when the time comes.

Whilst waiting for some time, the rogue monster finally *hatched* from the bracelet.

Burning in flames, it looks like a monster in a shape of a human soul.

In my mind I could guess what it was, what popped out in my mind was the word “Lower Grade Fire Spirit”.

Maybe due to the fact that I’m at such a huge gap of distance away from it, the spirit did not immediately attack me but was leisurely drifting around.

Grasping this opportunity, I positioned my gun, aimed carefully at the ball of flame, and fired the Freeze Bullet.

The bullet hit the center of the monster, and cold air was blown off.

The fire spirit noticed my presence, and drifted towards me.

The momentum of the fire spirit is much more weaker compared to before.

I continued, firing the Freeze bullets.

Whenever I hit it, the momentum of the fire—the soul, would gradually grow smaller and smaller.

With my current distance, I continuously fired a total of 5 Freezing bullets at it, and soon no sign or traces of it is left. Similar to before it hatched, a bracelet embedded with a pink Sapphire dropped to the ground.

I approached closer to the ground, and picked it up.

—Mineral Drop +1

The usual voice resounded in my head.

Now I understand, this only affects one type of drop rate.

If a million Piro worth ring gives all drop rate status of +1, then this will give one specific drop rate a +1.

Well, you pay for what you get.

After that, the next in line is to hatch the orange colour Sapphire embedded on the bracelet.

This time, a water type soul appeared, and I settled it with the Flame bullets.

The same bracelet dropped to the ground, and I picked it up.

—Mineral Drop -1.

A drop rate can be lowered?!

Then again, these kinds of equipments do exist in games, since having a drop rate of F has it's own uses.

Wait, can it be.

If the effects of -1 is put into a person with F drop rate, then technically, wouldn't it became completely 0 chance of dropping anything.

At least even for F sometimes you get a drop, but not 100% nothing.

From this two equipment, I thought of two types of probabilities to categories it.

100% and 0%, and the two other types.

The vectors of 100% and 0% are both complete opposite and are "absolute".

-1..... I would need Emily's cooperation again for this.

Next, is the Pearl bracelet.

This time a dog appeared.

It was a medium-sized dog, and with a ferocious face, and its body was covered in flames.

Thus, I fired it with the Freezing bullet.

Even if I shot at it the flames around it's body were not put out, thus I used the fusion Freezing bullets to attack it.

After that finally managed to defeat the Fire Dog, the same Pearl bracelet dropped.

—Damage to plant dropped item is increased by 10%.

Oh?

An interesting status has finally appeared.

Apparently, it's an equipment where your damage increases when you fight a specific type of race.

This should be useful.

With that in mind, I let out a laugh.

It's not a Slime type or an Undead type, but rather it's a monster that drops vegetation. As I thought, it's so fitting of this world to give this.

Anyway, let's get another one or two of this Pearl bracelet.

After awhile we would need to head back to Shikuro, an Agricultural city where almost all items drop vegetation.

Which makes me want to have this damage up bracelet more.

Finally we came to the last bracelet, the red Ruby bracelet was then hatched into a rogue monster.

This time a black ball is floating around, and electricity is crackling around it's body.

Compared to the other two, I do not want to get close to this thing.

While taking safety measures, I sharpened my senses, and fired the Freeze and Flame bullets together.

The thunder spirit swallowed the Annihilation bullet, and died in one hit.

Then a red ruby bracelet dropped on the ground, and I proceed to pick it up.

—The drop rate of rogue monsters will occasionally increase.

“Eh?”

Without realizing I let out my voice.

It resembles the time I once heard from when defeating the Slime Bros, but the effect is totally different compare to that.

At the first floor of Teruru, a monster called Slime Bros dropped a ring.

That ring's effect is to double the effects of drop rate, which only works inside the dungeon.

Because it had no effect on rogue monster, it remains as is at Emily's possession.

But this time the effect is different.

The target is clearly limited to rogue monsters.

Similar to increased damage when fighting vegetable type monsters, the effect is limited only to rogue monsters.

There's probably another equipment that increases the damage being dealt to rogue monster, but that's for another day.

For now, I want to know the effect of this bracelet in detail.

Then, I take out my Collection box.

Things that I brought from Nihonium, it's the collection box that refills my special bullets.

Leaving it on the ground, and taking a distance, 50 Skeletons hatched afterwards.

“...Guess I should use the Freeze bullet.”

Though it's easy to defeat the Skeletons with normal bullets, I decided to use the Freezing Bullets instead.

Put it in, shoot it, put it in, and shoot it.

Killing them one after the another, I'm taking down the Skeletons with Freezing bullets.

After demolishing 50 Skeletons easily, I picked up the dropped Freeze Bullets and counted, counting them one by one.

In total, 55.

Though I defeated 50, I got 55 bullets.

The drop rate increased by 10% compare to not wearing the bracelet.

For other people defeating rogue monsters is 0%—it is “absolute”.

Thus, this bracelet is an equipment dedicated to only be used by me.

Chapter 41

Completely Victorious

The two cities' adventurers that are crowding in Selen, were currently occupying the free to use Know-It-All board.

Thus, Emily and I walked around the entrance, and found a Know-It-All board that is slightly further away from the dungeon where not many are present. And so we went and approach it.

While operating the board as usual, I checked on the status.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 1

HP: S

MP: F

Strength: S

Endurance: F

Intelligence: F

Mentality: F

Speed: A

Dexterity: F

Luck: F

“Yoda-san became really strong, plus your Speed is almost approaching to S.”

“Ah, remembering back when I first met Emily and my entire status was F, that was nostalgic.”

“And you’re gonna eventually turn all these to S right?”

“That’s what I’m planning to do.”

I immediately replied Emily.

I've heard that Nihonium in it's entirety, has 9 floors in total, and the first page of the status seem to have 9 stats in total.

What's more, I'm the only one who can make the status up seeds drop and use them.

I've got a feeling that it wasn't a coincidence that the dungeon has 9 floors in total—that was what I genuinely felt.

“Well then, this is all well and good. The problem comes right after.

“Yes desu.”

Operating the Know-It-All board, I turned to the next page.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation: S

Animals: S

Minerals: S (+1)

Magic: S

Special Items: S

“Eh? It's still at S nanodesu.”

“I was sure that it would change into SS.”

Looking at my equipment, the Pink Sapphire that I recently obtained, I grabbed hold of it and turned it around my wrist.

An effect that gives a +1 to Mineral, that was exactly what the Know-It-All board was showing.

Though, my status is still at S.

“Yoda-san, is it because S is the highest possible rank that it can't go any higher?”

“I guess so. Just in case, let's have Emily try it on.”

“Okay desu.”

I took off the bracelet and handed it over to Emily to wear it, and let her operate the board.

After checking the second page, her Mineral drop really did increase from F to E.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation: S

Animals: S

Minerals: S (-1)

Magic: S

Special Items: S

“Huh? It didn’t decrease at all.”

“It’s not dropping desu~”

I was honestly surprised.

While equipping the bracelet which gives a -1 in Mineral drops, I honestly thought that my drop would decrease to A.

“I wonder why.”

“I’m sure.”

The corner of Emily’s eyes crinkled as she smiled.

“That’s because it’s Yoda-san desu.”

Was what she replied.

For some reason, I could take that answer.

Drop S, though some people in this world heard of this terminology, but it is still a mysterious status to a lot of them.

A status that only I have.

Somehow or rather, the equipment doesn’t affect my status.



Since Emily had some grocery shopping to do, we went our separate ways, and I headed back to the tent.

Getting closer to the tent that is near the mountain of garbage, I saw Celeste with a difficult expression on her face.

“What’s wrong?”

“Satou-san.....”

“Seems like you’re making a painful expression. What happened?”

“Well, I’ve heard from rumours that double the adventurers are flooding into Selen dungeon starting from tomorrow.”

“Double the adventurers?”

“Even though it’s just baseless rumours, but if that is true then the garbage will double up too, and I will have more workload to carry..... I countless issued for a request... but because this are still rumours, I wonder if anyone would come and help out at all.....”

Celeste had a worrying expression from start to end.

If we were to compare the amount of garbage equalling the amount of people, then if double the people were to come into Selen, Celeste would be troubled.

“I’ll help out.”

“Eh?”

“For the disposition of trash, I can help you.”

“Bu, but. Satou-san has the dungeon to worry about...”

“I can’t leave you be.”

“_____!”

Seeing Celeste, who was shocked, immediately had her face turn bright red.

The first time I met her, she overworked herself till she fainted.

The garbage that endlessly increases, although it exceeded her own processing capacity, she kept on working hard to dispose of the garbage all by herself.

And she reminded me of my past self.

Previously working for Black company, they never hired any new workers which resulted in me overworking myself, maybe that's why she sort of resembled me.

So I thought that I'm strong enough to help her out.

With that feelings rising, I looked straight into her eyes.

“Thank you... very much.”

Celeste face was bright red, and with a look of embarrassment on her face she thanked me.



“The rumours were true after all.”

Inside the tent, the one in charge of Shikuro association, Duke replied.

In order to confirm whether this rumour was true, I went to him to seek for an answer.

“Is that right. It's expected after all?”

“No, It's actually Hetero's side that's coming. It's all because of them.”

“.....I guess they are using a tactic where they are willing to over flood the dungeon with their people?”

“It's the opposite.”

“Huh?”

Duke then made a difficult expression.

“The odd numbers, basically the floors that drop vegetation. They intend to flood those floors.”

“——So that’s how it is! They want to send a bunch of Drop rate F to those floors!”

Duke firmly nodded.

“It seems like the opposite party aren’t afraid of going beyond to interfere with us. They will arrive here sometime tomorrow. The number... I heard that they brought along so many that they might just over flood the floors.”

“Are they trying to occupy the floors for themselves.”

“What’s more this action is lawfully legal. They can just write off on the surface saying “Due to the monsters increasing, more adventurers came to defeat them”. As easy as that.”

I can understand the grave situation till I too, made a bitter face.

Back then, there was a strike going on in the fifth dungeon of Silicon because of some people wanting to occupy that floor all by themselves, but this time it’s different.

With the larger scale of adventurers they sent, they won’t have a problem of completely clearing out the monsters on those floors.

Phew, I have an idea.

“.....Let’s settle it by today. Third, fifth, seventh, and the ninth floor. If all these floors were to have a rare drop, then at the bare minimum at least we would have a chance?”

“If that can be done we would’ve already won. Rare drops are hard to come by, plus during this period all drop probabilities are cut by 1%.”

“If I were to do it then wouldn’t it increase to 100%?”

“That’s impossible.”

“Let’s make the information fee of informing about the rare monsters around——no

let's just go all out. Whoever can report first will get 10 million Piros."

"That's too much! If we were to do that——"

"After I defeat the rare monster and get the drop, the reward will be used to pay them."

"——!"

Duke was startled.

I stared straight back at him.

My drop will still be S after confirming with the two bracelets.

Ever unchanging status that is bestowed upon me.

Even if it's rare the drop will be 100%, that is if I encounter one.

I was convinced about it.



Selen Dungeon, the ninth floor.

The face of Duke had an expression of half-trust, half-untrust, until then.

Now everyday a rare monster will definitely be encountered.

Because of the changes of whoever can give the info of a rare monster will be rewarded with 10 Million Piro, information is being flooded to us one after the other.

Thus Duke and I went to the dungeon, and defeated the rare monsters that were being restrained.

The third floor, fifth floor, and the seventh floor.

Defeating one rare monster on each of the corresponding floors, Duke's expression gradually turned into a startled one, and then to an expression with respect.

Afterwards, we arrived at the ninth floor.

With the reward of 10 Million for giving information, plus the rumours of getting drop from the 3 former floors, people were overflowing in the dungeon.

I was being watched from a gallery full of expectation, and thus I was being confronted with a huge snake with eight heads.

“It’s as if it’s Yamata No Orochi.”

“Either of the neck is it’s weak point, and the neck of the weak point changes each time it’s being regenerated.”

Duke explained.

Since I’ve been fighting these monsters everyday, I already know how to defeat it.

First is a trial run—I countered one of the necks that was trying to bite me and I hit it with my Penetration bullets.

The huge head was flown off, but it immediately regenerated.

This time the necks gathered together and bit.

Barely avoiding it, the snake that tried to bite me made a huge crater on the ground that I was just on.

While it was widening it’s mouth to try to attack me again, I fused the Flame and Freeze bullet together to form an Annihilation bullet towards it.

The moment the attack landed, three necks immediately disappeared after swallowing the bullet.

But, those immediately regenerated again.

“It sure is annoying to deal.”

“Only the neck that has a weak point can get drunk when drinking sake.”

“And have we found the weakness yet.”

I gradually grasped the Yamato No Orochi-like monster’s weakness.

“Shall I go prepare the sake?”

“It’s alright, it’s time to carry out the plan.”

I beat the attacking Yamata No Orochi into the direction where the gallery wasn’t there.

While it’s rolling back up, I immediately loaded my two guns with all my Homing Bullets, aimed at it and randomly fired.

Because I immediately shot that much Homing bullets at once, it looks like homing missiles, spreading in all direction and then concentrating on one of the eight heads and flew there.

The huge head of Yamata No Orochi that was thicker than the human body—the neck became a beehive.

The huge body made a screeching sound and died standing. It disappeared, and a Enokitake dropped.

Even though all of Selen’s rare monsters are a pain in the ass to deal with, their drops are so mediocre with no special characteristics whatsoever.

I won’t even want to go through this in the future, this *horrible* dungeon.

Aside from that.

“Thank you! Thank you so much!”

Duke came running towards me, and grasped my hands tightly.

He then proceeded to shake my hands up and down with a booming sound, a grateful expression on his face as he was thanking me.

“With this our Shikuro will definitely win, seriously thank you so much! It’s because of you!”

“No, it’s all thanks to Duke.”

“No need to be modest, it’s not wrong that it’s thanks to you. Oh right, if I do not report

this to the head office!"

After Duke finished saying this he ran off.

The figure of him running out of the dungeon, I muttered that "I really wasn't being modest".

When I was in that company, whatever I said was dismissed immediately.

If we put it this way, it was Duke's decision to accept a proposal from a single adventurer and put together a budget of 40 million Piros that brought this victory.

I too thanked him for listening to my proposal.

TN Note:

Enokitake is a mushroom that is produced in Japan. It's delicious!

Yamata No Orochi is a Japanese mythological creature that is a legendary 8-headed and 8-tailed Japanese dragon

Chapter 42

To counter an assassination

Inside the tent, I saw Duke, who was in a good mood.

“I’m gonna say this again and again, but thank you so much! It’s because of Satou-san that Selen will slowly be in the hands of Shikuro.”

“I’m glad to be of help.”

Going on a business trip to Selen and fulfilling a request, I was relieved.

“Right now, the headquarters are now considering the reward that they should give to Satou-san. Most probably 3 people will come to hand over the reward.”

“3 people?”

“For any drops being collected from Selen, Satou-san is being exempted from the tax.”

“That I know.”

Before I left, it was already presented to me.

“And though somewhat, you will also be paid in cash.”

“I see.”

It’s a reasonable line.

“The Dungeon Chief ran around preparing fine quality sugar for you for a year.”

“I don’t need any of sorts!?”

The need for a year supply of sugar that is.

“.....Wait just a second. On what basis should I get a year’s worth of sugar?”

“.....”

Duke averted his eyes away from me.

“This is not the standard from him right? This is not the standard from him right? **This is not the standard from him right???**”

“.....Since it was me who said it.”

Because it was important, I asked him three times, and Duke averted his eyes away from me again.

I knew it..... It's a one year's worth from that Dungeon Chief's standard.

It seems like I'm being forcefully pushed to get a lot of sugar, and I got a little upset.



Exiting from the tent, I went back to where Emily was.

At last, the request from Selen is finally over, should I stay here for a little while longer, or should I head back to Shikuro?

As I was thinking about it, I want to discuss it with Emily to make the final decision.

As usual, the surrounding of Selen Dungeon is as lively as ever, or rather it's those people who were being called to come from Hetero are here, coming here to interfere with us from producing more drops——it can be said because of them it is crowded.

The adventurers that are diving into the dungeon, those who came here to support, and those who are here to try to make money by selling goods.

All together there are roughly around thousands of people gathered there, turning it into a small town.

Oh right, if I were to go back, I should buy some souvenirs for Elza and Ena, who took care of me since the beginning.

Since there are many peddlers for that, it shouldn't be a problem to choose some souvenirs.

If that's the case, then I should stay here for another few days and earn some cash before heading back.

As such after thinking about several things, suddenly, I noticed something strange.

The bustling noises that was there just a moment ago disappeared.

No, it can't have disappeared all of a sudden.

The air around the crowd has also disappeared.

Instead I was being surrounded.

I was surrounded by people who are obviously eyeing me with hostility.

Around 5 meters away from me, they are currently surrounding me.

They are clearly bad guys, and are staring at me.

It's roughly... 20 people.

“What do you want from me.”

“Don’t think badly of us.”

Right in front of me, the man who lacked a front tooth replied.

“I was asked to punish you a bit. Don’t worry I won’t overdo it and kill you off. I’ll just break of your arms and limbs so you can’t work for a while.”

“.....You’re from Hetero huh.”

“It’s a grudge against those whom you robbed from their work.”

I see, it’s because of that.

Probably because those adventurers that are called from Hetero couldn’t do their jobs because I’ve interfered with them.....

And most probably they aren’t paid. Because of that, they hold that grudge against me

and have came to assassinate me, huh.

Though I don't really care, but I guess I will have to pay the sparks that have fallen down.

The moment I took out my gun, the man raised his hands.

And the next moment, beneath my feet a magic circle enlarged.

“This is?”

“I know of your method of fighting. You’re gonna use a tool to jump away right? This is a magic circle that nullifies that tool.”

“A jumping tool?”

“It’s a sort of wind type magic, but it’s man-made.”

A wind magic, something like controlling a weather. I guess it’s a tool that blocks magic when activated.

And it’s man-made too, so this magic circle below me is to prevent me from using this ‘jump tool’.

“Ah, I should be cautious.”

“Fuh. You guys, kill him!”

After the guy issued an order, the men who surrounded me attacked all at once.

I kept my gun, and held my fist up.

I grabbed the fist of the guy who jumped on me first, and punched him.

The man got drilled by my fist and flew away.

“Wha!”

The man who seems to be the leader shouted, making an expression as if he wasn’t told of this.

“Now that I think about it, when I first came to Selen till now, I’ve only been using my guns.”

“Wh, what is going on?”

“That is, if I don’t care about the efficiency of defeating monsters.”

I bent down slightly and kicked the ground, jumping straight in front of the man.

While holding back without overdoing things, I body blew the man.

The body of the man bend into a ‘<’ shape. He coughed, and spat out saliva.

“Even if I don’t use my gun, I’m still strong, you know.”

Using Nihonium’s seed to nurture myself, both my Strength and Speed are at S and A respectively.

After defeating the leader, he fainted on the ground.

All the men were upset, and attacked me all at once.

Using my full power, and speed.

Just by depending on my basic ability, I knocked the men out, one after the another.

Oh, and I didn’t forget to hold back too.

The only time I use my full strength is to defeat monsters because they drop items, but towards the same creatures, as humans, I don’t think it’s necessary.

Though if I were to learn some combat ability, that would be great.

So after less than 5 minutes passed, I left no one out, and piled all the men up on top of the magic circle.

“Im... impossible...”

The angry men groaned.

All of them were supporting themselves, while turning back. They were staggering as they walked back—it looks painful.

It's not like I hold a grudge against them or anything, but if I don't keep them in check, it will never end.

I held my gun——and shot at the leader.

The bullet flew towards him, and just like that, hit the leader who could not fight back at all.

A white light was glowing around that man.

The bullet that I shot was the Healing Bullet.

Standing in the middle of the magic circle that prevented jumping tools, I shot the Healing bullets at the men.

Like the Magic Storm at that time, this Magic Circle(Seal) did not have an effect on my bullet.

After few bright lights shone here and there, the men were all healed.

Immediately healing them, they did not understand what was going on and were perplexed.

“You can use jumping tools... what in the world are you...”

The leader was lost for words.

To give them one last threat—I shot an Annihilation Bullet below the ground near them.

Striking the Annihilation bullet in the middle of the magic circle, it seemed that something activated. Gouged by the Annihilation bullet, the magic circle disappeared without making a sound.

“Using these would not affect me whatsoever. Plus...”

I thrust the gun forward, then looked behind me.

“No more next time.”

I threatened them.

The men shook their heads like broken dolls.

Chapter 43

Celeste's magic, and also Emily's magic

After dealing with those assassination fellows, I headed back to the tent where Emily was waiting.

The tent was moved slightly further away when we were taking care of Celeste, and now it's near the location where the pile of garbage was.

From now on, the amount of people will increase further until the final day of tax exemption, and with the people comes the problem of more garbage.

Celeste is now facing at the mountain of garbage.

Standing just slightly away from the garbage, with her high aptitude for magic, she chanted a fire magic spell and burned the garbage.

The flame that seemed to leaked out of nowhere wrapped the garbage, and turned them to ashes.

Beautiful, and also really cool.

Was what I thought.

With strong fire magic to burn the garbage, I thought that the sight of the garbage being illuminated by flames was very beautiful.

While blankly staring at the flames, half of the garbage had already been burned away, only few remained——leaving only a garbage bin size full of garbage left.

I thought that after she had finished burning it properly, I would call her out——though.

Celeste started chanting again.

With the same usual magic, the magic circle enlarged, and her hair fluttered around

while invoking the magic.

Using a magic strong enough to burned an entire truck full of garbage, for such scale, the bin size full of garbage immediately disappeared.

It's as if you used the strongest magic that you have to defeat the weakest monster, that was the overkill scene that I witness just now.

Why would she do that though——I wondered.

Celeste is going to faint!

Looks like she's gonna collapse again by the way she stood.

I immediately dashed over and embraced her.

“Ryouta, san.”

Being supported by my arms, Celeste muttered my name.

It's exactly the same situation from when I first met her. Again she pushed herself, and now she is in a weakened state.

It's not certain whether her eyes are out of focus or just losing consciousness.

“Please stay still.”

I took out my gun, and checked whether I loaded the Healing bullets correctly. I aimed at Celeste's arm at point-blank range and pulled the triggered.

Similar to an injection, the Healing bullets were *injected* into her body.

Since one shot was clearly not enough, I fired twice.

And with that, Celeste's facial expression finally went back to normal.

“Are you alright?”

“.....”

“Celeste?”

Her eyes were focused, but it was clearly different, and she isn't saying anything.

She was just silently staring at me---was what I thought.

“I, I'm alright. I'm fine already.”

While saying so she hurriedly pushed me away, and kept a distance away from me.

Reaching from where she was standing before, why is her face all red?

While thinking so, I looking at her curiously.

Seems like I'm troubling her, but what is she worried about?

“Oh my what is wrong with me, why is my heart beating so fast? What's more...”

While taking a few glances at me, Celeste's face went redder than before.

It seems like she's asking an abundant of questions to herself. I wonder what's going on?

If there's anything wrong she should just ask me for help, if... if she's fine with me.

Pinch.

For some reason Celeste is pulling her own cheeks.

Using her right hand she stretched, and her left hand also doing the same, and her right hand stretching even further, and her left hand---

“Wait isn't that just going too far!?”

I hurriedly cut in to make her stop.

I'm not sure what's going on exactly, but I immediately made her stop stretching her cheeks, any further and it might tear.

The girl who was stopped by me breathed in a breath of air.

“Un, I’ve calmed down.”

Reverting back to her cool expression, she finally returned to her normal self.

.....Though with her cheeks subtly swollen, I managed to only voice out an “Eh---”.



“I was thinking about some strange things, so I tried to hype myself in spirit.”

“I, I see.”

The girl finally settled down and explained the reason for her idiocy earlier.

I somehow acknowledged it. I guess when someone tries to hype themselves they would usually hit themselves in the cheeks.

...Yeap, I guess they do.

.....Let’s not use a tsukkomi on her.

After rewriting my memories, I tried to divert the topic, and curiously asked her something that I thought off.

“The garbage that you were burning earlier. It seems that you used a strong fire magic to burned such little garbage left just now. But why? Shouldn’t you save some and use a simple magic to burn it?”

“I can only use that.”

“Only use that?”

“It’s a Level 3 Ranged flame magic, Inferno. This is the only magic I know how to use.”

“That’s all?”

“That’s all...”

Celeste firmly nodded.

...Mu?

"You said something about level 3, so there is level 1 and 2? Is it worse than 3? And can you use them?"

"I don't think so, I can only use this."

The wind blew, and the girls beautiful hair fluttered.

Celeste, without needing to even think, nodded firmly.

.....So basically, Me Mome Mi can't be use, but only Mezoma can be used.

I understand why she can only use that.

That's the reason why she could only use that Level 3 Magic, an overkill magic on the garbage.

"Is it common around here? That, where someone can't use a Level 1 or 2 magic but are able to use Level 3."

Even though I'm not all that familiar with magic, but won't someone need to learn from the basics till they proceed to the next level?

"No no, as far as I know, I'm the only irregular one here."

"Is that how it is, but how come?"

I wanted to ask further, but I instantly regretted asking.

Celeste had a complex smile on her face when she heard me.

I immediately knew that it was something she isn't comfortable talking about.

If I don't follow up, the conversation will be awkward. What should I do?

"Welcome back Yoda-san~"

Over there, Emily came out from the tent.

She welcomed me with her usual warm smile that gently patted the air with warmth and sweetness.

“Ooh! My goddess!?”

“Fue?”

“You saved us, I want a Goddess like you to always stay by my side.”

“Fueeeee? Wh, what’s happening Yoda-san!?”

While being surprised by me, I thanked her many times over.

Though it resulted her in having her face bright red, but regardless I still thank her as that was my true feelings, and her face became even redder.



Emily made a feast for us.

After hearing that I’ve finished my work, she made a feast for me.

Next to the tent a fireplace was lit, and Emily started preparing the dishes.

While watching her, Celeste and I were chatting.

“That’s amazing! Capturing it, there is certainly a confirmation of a chance to get a drop from rare monster, but to get a drop from all of the rare monsters?”

“For my part, it’s just confirming the drops on the odd number of floors.”

“The odd number of floors only?”

We were talking about the battle against Shikuro and Hetero.

At first she was scratching her head in confusion, but after a while she seemed to get it.

“That’s really amazing.”

“Is that so?”

“This is the first time I’ve heard of someone soloing a job like this.”

I was sort of flustered.

Being admired by a beautiful girl like Celeste really made me slightly embarrassed.

Though I was flustered, I wanted her to say more.

Thinking back to when I thanked Emily, I would like to be praised more like that.

“Celes—”

“Thank you for waiting nanodesu.”

While trying to ask courageously, Emily came back.

“Since it had just been baked, please be cautious of the heat nanodesu.”

“Thank you.”

“Thanks——wait a cake!?”

Celeste, who received the cake, was surprised.

I was also sort of caught off guard, and was awing at the cake.

The cake that we received, had silver forks placed on a white dish. It was evenly cut into three slice. Truly a beautiful and delicious looking cake.

“How did you make this cake?”

“I baked it nodesu.”

“Baked it, using that bonfire?”

“Yes desu.”

“Using a bonfire to bake cake..... huh? Using a bonfire?”

While slightly confused, Celeste looked at the bonfire, and then back at the cake.

I then razzed and let out a small laugh.

“Celeste, you don’t have to think too much of it.”

“Eh?”

“It’s the same as a warrior that does not understand how to use magic. We will also never know how Emily created her food and how she made even a tent so warm for the rest of our lives.”

“Aah.....”

Glancing at the tent, Celeste had a convinced expression.

I’m sure if I explained it like so to someone, they might not get it... But because she had actually experienced what it’s like being in that tent, she was convinced by Emily’s *miracles*.

“I, guess you’re right.”

“Using a bonfire to bake a cake. If it’s Emily, won’t it be possible?”

“That’s true, you do have a point.”

“So putting that aside, thank you Emily. Let’s eat.”

“I’m digging in.”

“Yes desu. Please do enjoy the meal. I will now create the next dish.”

After saying so, she stood up and made a pittar patter noise towards the bonfire.

While looking at the entire figure of her, both Celeste and I laughed out loud.

“I wonder what she’s going to make for us next.”

“I’m not sure either. But if it’s Emily, I’m sure we will be surprised by it again.”

“Lots of things happened huh.”

“Emily is indeed amazing, that’s all there is to it.”

As I said it, Celeste also nodded.

We both then ate our cake.

The cream was really sweet, and the sponge had a soft and chewy texture to it, making it absolutely delicious.

Though I had a question of how did she make it using just a bonfire, the delicious taste of the cake made me forget about it.

“Thank you for waiting nanodesu~”

As we just finished our cake, Emily again came back.

“Thank you for the meal, the cake was really delicious.”

“Yes desu, next up is this.”

Emily took out the next dish and handed it to Celste——but.

“Ice cream!? Wait, how Ice cream?”

“Thank you, I’m digging in.”

“Eeeeeeh? Is Ryouta-san gonna eat it? You’re not gonna even question it? Just eating it?”

“DIdn’t I say it just now, whatever she makes, we can’t always be surprised by it.”

“Eeeeeh.....”

Celeste is perplexed, and Emily smiled sweetly with a light aura around her.

To me, I continue chewing the ice cream she made for us.

It’s sweet and delicious, and my body was in bliss.

I thought that it was worth the effort to come to Selen.

“Thank you Emily.”

“Thanks for the hard work nanodesu, Yoda-san.”

And across us was Celeste who was still surprised.

We chat and laughed while being surrounded by the satisfaction of finally finishing our work.

Chapter 44

All Rounder

Morning came. Opening my eyes, I got up and went outside the secure tent—which gives off a feeling of a parent's home—and did a light stretch.

Due to the fact that I'd recently just finished a job given by the association, I woke up slightly later than usual.

Being influenced by Emily's lovely and warm tent that she prepared, I feel exceptionally refreshed, and all my stress and tiredness went away all at once.

“Mu?”

Wow, I was immediately faced with a mountain of garbage and Celeste who was standing slightly further away from the mountain.

Even though she had already dispose of it, in just one night, the garbage has been piled up into a mountain again.

Wait, it's actually way more than usual.

It felt like the garbage has increased by a few folds.

Celeste came close from behind me, and I greeted her.

“Morning.”

“Good morning, you've finally decided to wake up.”

“It's because Emily's tent is too comfortable.”

“Oh, I totally get what you mean. Even for me, it was difficult to get out of the tent in the morning. I was like, just 5 more minutes, another 1 more minute, just give me another 30 seconds..... it was really difficult.”

“Just so you know, an ordinary home would not give off such comfort. It’s only this tent that gives off such warmth and comfortable feeling when you stay inside, you get me?”

Celeste then yawned and covered her mouth.

“The tent is... way... yawn...”

She continued to yawn, I can imagine why.

Just for a moment, I felt like inviting her over.

How do I put it, I feel like bragging about Emily.

I somehow want to invite her to stay at our home in Shikuro.

Well then.

With that train of thoughts, I looked at the mountain of garbage.

“By the way, what is with this amount. The garbage is way more than usual.”

“I know right. I’ve heard that a Dungeon Master has recently spawned, since the adventurers don’t dare to venture any further, most of them are just staying here while eating and drinking all day.”

“Dungeon master?”

I tilted my head when I heard that term.

This is the first time I am hearing that word.

“As the name implies, it’s inside the dungeon. Since it’s been months and we have never encountered it before, this must be the first time one has spawn in Selen.”

“Heh. There’s something like this. Is it strong?”

“It is strong. That’s the problem with it.”

What does that imply, I tilted my head once more.

“The adventurers that are gathered in Selen are mostly just started or here to earn some extra cash. They only specialize in steadily hunting the same monsters.”

“So they can’t fight monsters that are way out of their league?”

“Yes. Though starting from tomorrow, there will be adventurers that can deal with these monsters. They are adventurers that specialize in killing Dungeon Masters.”

I see.

I guess there are many types of adventurers.

Well, there is that princess who does business by selling an Air Box that is named The Princess Air Box, and then there’s people like me who are hired to deal the finishing blows on the monsters because of my high drop rate.

So it’s not that uncommon that they are adventurers that specialize in killing high-grade monsters.

Mochi’s are sold in a Mochi store, and if you want a mochi you can head there to get one.

“Ah...”

“What’s wrong?”

“Seems like over there there’s a rogue monster being spawned. There’s also a lot of them and not enough people are there to handle it.”

“Should I head there to defeat it?”

“Eh? But.”

“Anyways, I won’t be diving into the dungeon for today, so I can help out.”

“.....Thank you.”

Why did Celeste thanked me and suddenly blush?

I took my dual guns, and go around the mountain of garbage where the rogue

monsters are.

While strutting it took me a minute to get there, it's quite a distance to the location.

Over there, many Frankensteins were present.

Well, it's obvious.

If nobody is close to it they would hatch into rogue monsters, and if something like this were to happen, it won't be just one or two of them.

Even though Celeste was worried, I was really happy.

Because to me, these rogue monsters are like a pile of treasure to me.

I'm currently equipping the red ruby bracelet, that gives the effect of sometimes increasing the drop rate of rogue monsters.

I loaded the Flame Bullets into both of my guns, and leaving a safe distance away from the Frankensteins, I hunted them.

I stood still, and used the fused Flame bullets to defeat them one by one.

The Frankenstein that were burned one after the other dropped the gold Homing Bullets.

Most of the time it's just one bullet, but because of the bracelet's effect I sometimes get two bullets.

And just like that I diligently defeated the rogue monster while in the flow.

Now that I think about it, my style might be classified as hunting the same type of monsters.

While unexpectedly dealing the monster in a safe and efficient way, my body became accustomed to it.

Or that time when I guided the Slime onto the top of the Magic Cart and defeated it, letting it go smoothly into the cart, which I would naturally do because it increases the efficiency of my work.

That's fine and all, but.

"I would like some changes once in awhile."

While muttering, I let out a bitter smile.

After some time, it finally came to the last Frankenstein. I kept my gun, clenched my fist and stepped on the ground.

With several patches around its muscles on both arms, it threw a punch at me, and each punch would cut through the wind.

I stopped it with both my hands, and a shockwave blew the back of my surroundings, which then made a loud 'Pachin' sound.

"Uoooo!"

I grabbed its hand and pulled it towards me. It loses its balance and that is where I counter it with a punch.

I rush to catch up to the Frankenstein that was knocked away, clasped my hands together and slammed it with a hammer punch.

The huge body was smashed by my punch, and crashed into the ground.

The ground cracked, making a crater around the body, as expected. But it was tough—the Frankenstein did not die and was struggling trying to get up.

My hands did not rest and continued pursuing it.

With my Strength being S and my Speed being A, having all these high specs physical abilities, I demonstrated a variety of fighting techniques where you see in Manga's or in an Anime.

Even the world's most famous midair combat, I still remember back in the day when my friend used to ask me to fly from the jungle gym but in the end I twisted my wrist. But now I don't have a problem and hit the Frankenstein midair.

This sort of, feels good.

While trying on various things, time flew.

The time I took to defeat this Frankenstein took way longer than usual, and it was only 1 of them.

The drop was, the same Gold coloured Homing Bullet.

Since the effect did not activate, I only gotten one bullet.

Though the results is the same, the efficiency is horrible.

But I really wanted to try it out, and it felt really good.

Even though I'm usually the type to play as efficiently as possible, this time I wanted to get a little side track.

This was one of my bad habits.

But I am now relieved.

Well either way I got the job done, plus I get to try something outside my usual style.

I picked up the Homing Bullets, and walked around the mountain of garbage to where I was.

Over there, a person completely opposite from me, a person that has the worst efficiency is there.

Just slightly away from Celeste, she used her Inferno magic to burn the garbage.

As the garbage is burning, there will tend to have a few more garbage left around.

Usually you would use your low-level magic to burn away those garbage, but because Celeste only knows one magic only, it can be said that her efficiency is so bad you might as well die.

After that, using such magic which consumes a lot of MP on such useless thing, her stamina is also being consumed.

Even now her body is wobbling.

“Emily, you there?”

“Yes I am desu~”

The moment I called out for her she replied, and she immediately left the tent.

“Let Celeste rest. If she tries to rebel, restrain her and force her to sleep. I will handle the rest of the garbage.”

“I understand desu.”

After she said that, she went straight to where Celeste is.

She caught hold of Celeste’s hands, and dragged her into the tent.

Emily with a happy face, and Celeste with a troubled expression.

Even though she tried to release the grip from Emily, she couldn’t do it.

Celeste, with the height of 170cm, couldn’t win against a 130cm tall Emily.

It’s sort of hilarious.

After a while, Emily managed to pull Celeste into the tent.

Before Emily went into the tent, she shifted the tent away from the garbage.

As expected of Emily, she never fails to amaze me by following up because she knew I want to change the garbage into rogue monsters——I mean Frankenstein.

What a wonderful woman.

What’s even more amazing is, in just a moment she could open up the tent again, making it look like a temple from here.

As expected of Emily, what a wonderful woman.

“It’s good to heal up once in awhile.”

While giving my blessings to Celeste, I kept a distance away from the garbage.

This time I will be using the Flame fusion bullets, because I'm devoted to my efficiency play.

“Nn... feels, good.....”

Inside the tent, I heard someone letting out a loud voice. I then wiped out the garbage, and got myself a huge sum of Homing Bullets.

Though I really want to leave one and beat the shit outta it, I bitterly smiled, and cleaned it off with the Flame fusion bullet.

“Oh?”

Just then, 4 adventurers came from the direction of Shikuro.

It feels like I met these 4 warriors and magicians before.

They also have a sort of atmosphere around them.

What's more they seem to have a good balance in teamwork.

“Isn't that.”

“Seems to be the adventurers that are hired to defeat the Dungeon Master nanodesu.”

Emily answered from behind me.

“It's as I suspect.”

“Yes desu. Even though they seem potent they didn't even bring a Magic Cart. They just wear equipment for the subjugation.”

“Aah, now that you mention.”

All 4 of the adventurers were well equipped from top to bottom.

The equipment seem to be better than the other adventurers, though it seems like it's better to bring some Magic Carts. But in this situation I guess it's not necessary for that.

They are just special equipment used for subjugating.

“Seems like Selen will go back to normal starting from tomorrow.”

“Yes desu.”

“By the way, how is Celeste?”

“She’s taking a nap desu. Once she wakes up, we can have our snack time.”

“Please make my share too.”

“Yes desu!”

In order to heal Celeste, Emily is going to make some snacks once she wakes up.

Though I’m not sure what’s she’s going to make, I’m sure it’s gonna be something amazing again.

While anticipating it, it’s not just for Celeste, but she is also gonna make it for me to heal me.

Emily’s night healing.

Little did they know, the subjugation experts were annihilated by the Dungeon Master.

Chapter 45

Forming a party

Inside Shikuro's dungeon association tent, Duke made a huge sound.

He is desperately trying to give instructions to his fellow secretaries.

I thought that I wanted to come here to hear about the situation concerning the adventurers that came here to defeat the Dungeon Master, but they were defeated instead, so I guess that can't be done at the moment.

There's no helping it, shall I come here at another time—

“Satou-san!”

Duke, who was giving orders to everyone saw me at the corner of his eyes. He immediately stood up from his seat, and came rushing towards my direction.

“I’m glad that you came, I was about to call you over.”

“Seems like you’re having a tough time.”

“That’s right, I didn’t expect that the Conrad • Familia will be easily defeated by the Dungeon Master, and now it’s chaos around here.”

“Is Conrad, the 4 man team?”

“You know them?”

“I saw them yesterday arriving.”

“I see.”

Duke nodded, and I followed suite his gesture and nodded. He led me to the sofa.

I sat opposite of him, and once again I listen to what he has to say.

“What is the situation today?”

“I’ve already contacted with the headquarters and they were going to send a new batch of rescuers over here, but, Hetero went ahead and butt in into our situation using cha cha.”

“Cha cha?”

“We have to carefully deal with this. A new Dungeon Master just spawned in a new dungeon. In order to not get any sacrifices we must do this carefully.”

“.....If you’re saying chacha, then I’m sure it’s a bad idea?”

“.....The Dungeon Master can change their ecology.”

Duke had a difficult expression on his face.

“It’s not **just** a strong Demon, but if it were to stay at the dungeon for a long period of time, the ecosystem of the monsters in the dungeon might start to change... even the type of monster might change. Hence why we nicknamed it as a Master.”

“Change the type of monster?”

“It might change the monsters on each floor, and they might even turn into something completely different. Of course, the drops might change too.”

After hearing thus far, I finally understood.

“Even for the rare monster?”

“Yeah, even for the rare monsters.”

“Now I understand. So, the Hetero bunch would benefit from this if they were to drag this out in the long run. If all goes well, they could change the entire cycling. Even if it goes wrong, they can just leave it as is.”

Duke heavily nodded at each words.

“Well then, what is this “cha cha” all about?”

“The next subjugation will be co-organized by Shikuro and Hetero side.”

“They are clearly just trying to meddle with our plans.”

“It’s not as if they are just there to drag us down, but they were also trying to have a say with the personal selection for this subjugation.”

.....That’s the worse.

“Well, besides the subjugation teams, can’t an adventurer volunteer to go too?”

“The other team had some conditions.”

“Conditions?”

“For adventurers, only three and above, and their status must at least be A and higher, other than that everyone can volunteer to go. Thinking that they have demands on the number of people and the abilities, it is reasonable as to what had happened from the previous subjugation team. But, you can’t expect these adventurers who are here to only make a living by defeating normal monsters and selling their drops, to volunteer for themselves to defeat the Dungeon Master.”

“I understand that having more people is better, but on what basis must we at least have three person in the subjugation team?”

“.....It’s a countermeasure against Satou-san.”

“Eh?”

“They have already expected that you would go for the subjugation. Hence why they made a rule stating that you need at least three or more people to participate.”

“A countermeasure on me..... Emily.....”

“Yeah, they also know that you have another person with you that can fight alongside you. Plus, they also predicted that no other adventurers would dare to venture into Selen at the moment. Furthermore, those adventurers that only follow a routine become more cautious as their abilities increases. At first they would fight against a monster at the top floor, but after they improve they would go 2 ranks down and continue to stabilize there for a really long time.”

“.....”

“Over here in Selen, to find adventurers that have A in their ability is...”

As Duke said that, he let out a deep sigh.



Exiting the tent, I tried calling out to some adventurers.

After a few days, more or less am I able to recognize some faces.

Especially those who came and sell their drops—and especially those skilled adventurers.

The reason why I'm calling those adventurers, is because I want to bring them along to subjugate the Dungeon Master.

But all of them, they refused.

From what they said, they just want to quietly stay put and not do anything. Either way the Shikuro or Hetero would hire someone to defeat the Dungeon Master, well, most of the time.

Though judging by their words, I felt some malicious intent.

If they just need three person to enter, there's me and Emily, and we just need one more person and we're done.

I thought that if we just need one more person, it shouldn't be a problem—but after going around asking for other adventurers, they flat out decline.

The habits of these adventurers are really good.

For dungeons that drops anything in this world, these adventurers that have a routine would also be classified as “a producer”.

And all these adventurers are just having this as a nickname. None of them want to take risks, they just want to stay in their comfort zone.

Even though there's a hundred plus adventurers around, none of them want to partake in the subjugation.

Though I felt that they are purposely refusing me instead of being in their safe zone.

And this harassment is directed only to me.

I remembered about Duke's difficult expression, and I'm sure he's already predicted that this might happen.

“Haa.....”

“What are you sighing about?”

“WOW!”

All of a sudden a warm breath was blown into my ear, and I jolted.

I stood straight up with all my hairs standing up in shock, and took a few steps away.

There, an unexpected guy showed up.

“Neptune!”

“Yo, long time no see. Seems like you're energetic.”

A suspiciously gentle, homo looking guy, why is Neptune doing in a place like this.

And behind his back two familiar figure are seen, it was the two girls Siriru and Ran.

“Nice that I could meet you, hey, are you free this evening?”

“I don't have time for you, and what's more I will never have time for your “night time”!”

“Ahaha, still can't seem to get through you. You're so mean towards your future companion.”

“I will never be a companion with this homo bast—wait companion?”

In front of me, a savior had arrived.

“Hey, I’ve had it for today, so please just form a party with me.”

I pleaded towards Neptune.

If it’s him then I can trust him as he clearly has the strength, and he has *fought* with my S Strength before, as an A Strength guy.

What’s more when Nihonium was first born, they were the first ones to venture into the entire floor of the dungeon, so no way is he someone who would stay at their comfort zone.

If it’s him, he clearly fits the description I’m looking for—

“Well, about that.”

Neptune had a sorry expression.

“I have actually received a formal request from Shikuro Dungeon’s association, currently I’m waiting for my companion over here.”

“Wha—”

“It’s really really unfortunate. If only you were slightly faster, actually. Before the news came to me, I wanted to come and meet up with you.”

Neptune had a really unfortunate and sorry expression, and stared at me.

Uuuuggggh, his stare really sends shiver down my spines. Unconsciously my body shivered and I took a few steps back.

My hair was standing up, that’s how scared I was, at the same time, I understand that he couldn’t help out.

For a moment he had my hopes high, but was immediately pulled it down.



I went back to the tent that Emily made, even from the outside I could tell, but I wonder why there's a clattering noise inside.

I wonder what had happened, it was then Emily came out of the tent.

“Ah, welcome back Yoda-san.”

“I’m back. What were you doing?”

“It’s preparations for going into the dungeon nanodesu. It’s to subjugate the Dungeon Master nanodesu!”

“You’re truly amazing Emily. Even when I did not mention anything, you already knew about it.”

As usual she naturally knew about it, though I bitterly smiled.

“But I’m terribly sorry. This time I’ll probably just let the rest work things out. Honestly, we are required to have a minimum of 3 members to go into the dungeon.”

“Yes desu, I’ve also heard about that.”

“? If you’ve already heard about it—”

Emily’s smile had a weird feeling behind it, and inside the tent someone else came out.

A tall girl with beautiful hair, it’s Celeste.

“I will also be going.”

“Celeste? Eh, but how about the garbage—”

I turned around and looked at the usual mountain of garbage, though a number of adventurers are present.

The adventurers were having fun while talking amongst themselves—they were burning the mountain of garbage.

“The moment I said that I will be paying for this job, everyone happily came and help.”

“.....Such a carefree bunch.”

While I was having a hard time trying to find some teammates, she has easily found several people to help her out.

For disposing garbage, since it's fairly safe and stable to do, it was easy to find a substitute to help you out.

That's fine and all, but, I glanced towards Celeste.

“But is it alright, going into the dungeon and all.”

I have no idea why her face suddenly turned bright red, but nearby us—and during this time of the day, lots of people will be around the Know-It-All board.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 21/54

HP: D

MP: C

Strength: E

Endurance: F

Intelligence: A

Mentality: A

Speed: E

Dexterity: F

Luck: C

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation: F

Animal: F

Mineral: F

Magic: F

Special Item: F

Staring at Celeste's ability, the first page tells us exactly who she is, and the second page tells us the reason why she is just a casual garbage disposer instead of an

adventurer.

“I want to go with you.”

As Celeste said that, her cheeks dyed red, and she stared straight at me.

“I want to become Ryouta-san’s strength.”

Unexpectedly, my heart skipped a beat.

Chapter 46

Tears of Gratitude

Emily, Celeste and I are going into Selen's dungeon.

“Mu.”

The moment we step foot into the dungeon, I unconsciously let out a voice.

If I were to put it to words, the air around here feels stagnant.

The air surrounding the dungeon is as if during rainy seasons and people are soaking wet while waiting inside Haneda(airport?). It's around 10 times, no 100 times worse than that.

The place is stuffy, making it hard to move around, it really makes you want to get out of this place as soon as possible.

“For a dungeon, is it suppose to be this disgusting?”

“That's not true, just yesterday it wasn't like this at all.”

“This air is due to the monsters not being in the dungeon at all.”

Emily seriously answered our questions.

“This is what happens when a Dungeon Master spawns in a dungeon.”

“You know about it?”

“Because in Teruru it happened quite a few times before. When it happened the first time, the subjugation team told me about it and asked me to escape immediately.”

“I see, since you were living in the dungeon before I came about.”

After being convinced, I looked around my surroundings, while also keeping in mind

that the air around here is heavy.

“There’s literally no monsters around here. Is this also due to the Dungeon Master’s presence?”

“Yes desu, when it appears, no other monsters will spawn.”

“Then we have to quickly defeat it.”

I don’t care whether a Dungeon Master spawns or not, but if there’s no monster spawning, especially in this world, then it will be fatal to humans.

Everything, water and air, are all dropped by monsters in dungeons. This is the world I’m living.

If no monsters were to spawn, then the primary industry will cease as well, making everything else fall apart.

“Dungeon Master... If I’m not mistaken, it can move around any floors it likes.”

“Yes desu, though the same rule applies that it cannot go out of the dungeon, similar to every other monsters, but it can indeed traverse to other floors as it pleases.”

“So I guess the only way to find it is to search every nook and cranny.”

Both of them nodded, and we set off in search of the Dungeon master.

With a fighting attitude kept, we head further into the dungeon.

The first floor, nothing there.

Similar case with the second floor, there’s nothing here.

And now we reached the third floor.

“——! There it is”

“Yes, desu.”

“It’s hard to breath...”

Seems like Emily and Celeste are in pain.

Though it's not like they're the only ones feeling it, because the moment we step foot into the third floor, I can feel a strong pressure that I have never felt before.

Previously it was like child's play, but now that we are right in front of it, I can feel a strong intimidation.

I grasped my gun, nodded at the two of them, and we approached it.

We appeared right beside of it.

With an insidiousness surrounding it—the monster, with a gigantic body and a horse for its head, coated in black, and has two horns growing on top of its head.

“So that's the Dungeon Master.”

“It's a bicorn..... also known as “The one who defiles purity”.”

“It's a bicorn eh—-for now let's defeat it.”

“Yes!”

“Yes desu!”

First up is Emily, where she flew towards it.

The chibi 130cm tall girl, with a huge hammer—which did not fit her character—flew towards the monster, and in the middle of the air, she spun around and swung her hammer straight down towards the bicorn.

The hammer went directly for the Bicorn's head—was what we thought, but the two horns above it completely nullified the damage being dealt.

“Emily !”

The Bicorn repelled the hammer, and tried to pierce Emily's body.

I repeatedly fired at it to stop its movement. Taking that opportunity, Emily reacted and jumped away.

I kicked the ground, and dashed straight at it.

Using my fluent hands, I loaded all the Homing Bullets into the gun in a matter of second, stroked both my hands horizontally and fired with my right and left guns.

The bicorn was perplexed for a moment.

Because of the multiple bullets being scattered around with my gun, it became a Homing Missile, with all of the bullets drawing an arc towards the Bicorn while orbiting around it, as if being sucked into the Bicorn like a blackhole.

At the same time, it avoided the bullets, and jumped off.

It jumped towards a corner but the Homing bullets gathered together towards it, and penetrated it all at once.

But.

“It didn’t work? Is it using some kind of barrier?”

“There’s no response at all.”

When me or Emily attacked, the bicorn used its horns. It feels like there’s some sort of invisible barrier shielding it.

“Anyways, for now just continuously attack it. Celeste, please support us.”

“I understand.”

Celeste, who was at the end of a corner, nodded, and proceeded in using high level magic.

The magic circle expanded, and she released her magic after chanting.

It’s a Level 3, High leveled magic—a strong fire spell that swallowed the bicorn as if filling it inside its tummy.

I didn’t think that that would defeat it, thus Emily and I jumped into the whirlpool of flame.

As expected, the Bicorn wasn't dead, and it could even react and deal a fierce blow to us.

Emily rapidly swung her hammer at it, while I repeatedly loaded my ammo at it.

“Kya!”

“Emily!”

I immediately fired a Healing Bullet on Emily who was being counter attack by the dungeon master.

When we were in midair I aimed at her side and shot, so even before we landed on the ground she was all healed up.

“Thank you desu.”

“Don't push yourself okay.”

“Yes desu!”

“Also Celeste, don't hold back and keep firing your magic! This monster won't be fazed by just a measly attack!”

“I understand!”

We are now on the third wave of attack.

With all our strength, we challenged the Bicorn head-on.

Slowly but surely, there was a response.

Though there's an invisible barrier surrounding the bicorn, but with the continuous strong attack that we dealt to the Bicorn, the barrier was gradually getting weaker, which means our attacks were effective.

After taking a breath of air, we went and attacked again, but the barrier returned to its original state.

Most probably, it's a type of barrier that can be broken with a saturated attack.

If that's the case, then if we hit it all at once—

“.....Ah.”

At the corner of my eyes, I caught sight of Celeste seemingly wanting to faint.

I rushed towards her, and while embracing her I used the Healing Bullet on her.

Although one Healing Bullet is sufficient in healing an injury, for mana depletion from using too much magic takes several Healing bullets to completely heal up.

While embracing her, I pressed the muzzle and fired multiple shots of Healing Bullets on her.

“I’m sorry, I... seem to be a burden to you.”

“Don’t worry about it. It must’ve been hard for you to use your magic repetitively.”

“Eh?”

“Don’t need to work so hard till you faint---Mu”

Emily was struggling hard with the boss while I was away from the battle to help Celeste.

I grab hold onto my gun, helped Celeste to stand up, then head back into the fight.

I then rushed towards Emily who was blown off into the wall.

“Are you alright Emily?”

“Something’s strange desu.”

“Strange?”

“That.”

Emily pointed at the feet of the Bicorn.

Beneath the four legged black horse was a weird magic circle being enlarged.

Since when did he activate it, I thought, as the magic circle enlarged till it occupied the entire cave ground.

“When the hell did it activate that?”

“I have no idea desu... Ah.”

“What’s wrong..... Mu.”

Emily stood up and staggered while using her hands to support herself on the wall, and over there was a Know-It-All board.

When I lift her up, she used her own strength to hold onto the wall, and accidentally activated the Know-It-All board.

There, her status was displayed on the screen.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 22/40

HP: C (-2)

MP: F(-2)

Strength: C(-2)

Endurance: E(-2)

Intelligence: F(-2)

Mentality: F(-2)

Speed: F(-2)

Dexterity: F(-2)

Luck: F(-2)

All her stats decreased.

Besides her high HP and Strength, the rest was decreased to the point of reaching the minimum.

“The one who defiles purity.....”

“——!”

I was relieved when Emily murmured.

I see, so this is the Bicorn's trump card, it's this Magic Circle's power.

Whoever is within this Magic Circle will get a status debuff besides the Dungeon Master.

"Are you alright Yoda-san?"

"Celeste."

"Eeh!"

While Celeste is using Inferno, I went and confirm my status using the Know-It-All board.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 1/1

HP: S

MP: F(-2)

Strength: S

Endurance: F(-2)

Intelligence: F(-2)

Mentality: F(-2)

Speed: C(-2)

Dexterity: F(-2)

Luck: F(-2)

Seems like any status that is at S would not be affected, most probably because besides me, nobody has a status of S, maybe I'm outside of this world's calculation.

At the same time, my Speed which was originally at A was affected by the Bicorn's debuff and dropped down to C.

Even though it dropped, I will continue to fight.

"Emily, I'll go first. You'll follow after me."

"Yes desu."

"Celestel--"

While calling out to her, I quickly fired the Healing Bullet at her.

“I’m counting on you for support, don’t push yourself okay.”

“—Un.”

After giving them orders, I jumped right into the whirlpool of flames where the Bicorn is in.

Even though this was my first time being affected by this magic circle, but I can already feel the effects it’s giving to my speed as it drastically dulled my speed.

Even my reload speed is taking longer than usual, and it takes longer to shoot too.

I sometimes got into a difficult situation as my attack has dulled and some attacks couldn’t connect.

But my Strength is still the same.

Since it’s at S, if it hits, it’s gonna deal tons of damage. So if I can just hit it once, I think I can defeat it.

While having such thoughts, I still can’t find an opening.

Thus, the fight became a stalemate.



(Celeste’s Side)

At first, there was no one around Celeste to hang out with.

There was no opponent that could tell her off, but rather she was the one who say it to herself.

For her, she constantly tells herself to stay firm and not fall.

At worse she will tell herself to “Please tell me when I’m sick”, or “Please only fall when I finish the job”, along the lines.

She thought that she did the right thing until now.

Because she had a defective and unbalanced magic. Plus, she doesn't want to burden people by not disposing of the garbage quick enough.

Thus she cannot fall right now, as she always thought that she has to work hard all the time.

But the guy in front of her told her otherwise, that it's alright not to push herself.

It must've been hard to overwork yourself and fall, such words were told by that guy.

This was the first time someone told her off, which strongly struck her heart, and she was drawn into him.

"For his sake..... I want to work hard for his sake."

Though she's contradicting herself, it's somehow different compared to before.

For the guy's sake who told her that she doesn't need to push herself, before she reaches her limit, she will do her best for him.

"My power."

Celeste brought her strength to the limit.

"My all..."

With her bright magic circle, she pushed back the Bicorn's magic circle.



"Yoda-san!"

If this goes on it's gonna end badly—was what I thought but for the first time, Emily shouted my name with a loud voice.

I was wondering what's going on so I turned and look behind me, there, I saw Celeste who is far away casting a magic.

This isn't something normal—The tall beauty's long hair is *burning* up.

"Celeste!?"

"Here I go!"

The moment she said that, the magic burst.

I flew off quickly, while taking a distance from the Bicorn.

That Bicorn is being enveloped by flames, and was swallowed by a swirling fireball.

And the magic circle below fades tremendously.

Celeste then... fainted just like that.

"Celeste!"

"—Yoda-san!"

Again Emily screamed my name loudly, and a huge shadow is flying towards me.

I subconsciously caught hold of it—it was Emily's hammer.

Emily, who threw her hammer, immediately rushed towards Celeste.

"—!"

I clenched my teeth, and took a deep breath.

For some reason I could hold the hammer firmly from what I thought, thus I firmly thrust it onto the burning Bicorn, hammering it down on it.

With my S powered Strength, I hit it with all my might using Emily's hammer.

With the hammer striking at the invisible barrier, a cracking sound resided and it landed on the Bicorn.

Soon the flame was gone. The black horse broke and shattered there and then.

Only the two horns remained on the ground.



As soon as I defeated it I rushed straight to Celeste.

Celeste, who was being gently held by Emily, had a really weak expression.

It's similar from when I first met her, but this time it was even worse than usual.

By using her magic to burn the Bicorn, she overloaded her magic—and it's easy to imagine the repercussions.

I aimed at her with my gun, and shoot her with multiple Healing bullets-like syringes.

One shot, two shots, three shots.....

I shot her till my entire magazine was depleted, and after a set of magazine it finally cured her.

How much did she push herself, but I do understand her feelings.

Though I have a lot of things to say, I decided to keep it to myself.

“Thank you Celeste, it’s because of you that we can defeat the Dungeon Master”

“Was I, helpful?”

“Of course, I’m glad that we brought you along.”

Celeste opened her eyes, and tears started flowing out of her eyes.

“Wh, what’s wrong?”

“It’s not like that, because this was the first time someone said that to me...”

“I, I see.”

I was slightly shocked, I just remembered that I picked up something just now.

“Oh right, this is for you.”

“.....This is?”

“It’s the remains of the Bicorn... It’s probably a drop item.”

The item that I gave her, was the pair of horns that the Bicorn had.

It’s size has been shrunk by half from it’s original size. It’s now the size of a finger.

“This is... for me?”

“Aah.”

“Aah, since there’s two of it why not give one to Emily.”

“No, only two of it together can it be complete as a set. I thought that you might need it more than us.”

“I need it more?”

“Please just accept it, you’ll know soon enough.”

“.....?”

Celeste took the horn of the Bicorn from my hand, while lamentably leaving the facial expression of a fox.

The moment she received it from my hands, her eyes were wide open.

“Seems like you know the reason why---wait why are you crying again!?”

Celeste, who was holding the horns with both her hands, starting crying even harder and it made me even more flustered.

The bicorn’s horn, Bicorn Horn.

It’s ability—whatever has it can use Level 1 Magic unlimited times.

For Celeste, who could only use a Level 3 Magic, I thought that this was a good item

for her as she can finally use other spells, but for some reason she started crying again.

To that, Emily is gently hugging her and comforting her.

Celeste firmly hugged Emily, and continued crying out loud.

It's like a child and her mother, this was the kind of scene I'm watching right now.

Really, what's going on.

"Celeste-san. Since Yoda-san is being troubled by it, so if you don't let your true feelings out right now, it's gonna be bad nanodesu."

"Un....."

Celeste lift her face up, and used both her hands to wipe off her tears, and stared at me.

And.

"Thank you."

Slowly, softly, and firmly.

That was what she responded.

I was stunned for a moment, Thank you?

Wait, that means—

"Yes desu, it's tears of joy nanodesu—"

"Uwa, don't, please don't say it out loud! Anything but that!"

Celeste hurriedly close Emily's mouth---she's already said it before you could close her mouth.

But, now I understand.

If that's the case, I thought as I unconsciously let out a laugh.

In the end, there were some tough moments, but all in all, I say it was a success as we managed to defeat the Dungeon Master and I also got to see another side of Celeste.

Chapter 47

Family

Inside Shikuro's Association tent.

The reason why I'm here right now is to report the success in subjugating the Dungeon Master • Bicorn.

At first, the person who is in charge, Duke, did not believe me at all, so he sent someone to confirm whether I had defeated it, but before he could do that, some adventurers were already moving around inside the dungeon, so he had to accept the fact that we have already subjugated the Dungeon Master.

“I’m surprised, that you’re able to defeat even the Dungeon Master.”

“Since the Hetero side wanted to waste time by not doing anything, so why not lend a helping hand. Was it a bother?”

“Absolutely not! I know about the Bicorn and it’s annoying ability that it had. Though we have requested to send one of Neptune’s family’s team to help us out, but Hetero also knew about that and added more rules to restrict the Neptune family from venturing. I’m actually grateful and thankful you willingly went to defeat the Dungeon Master without my consent.”

“I wonder if Neptune can handle it.”

“I don’t know about the minor details—since they tend to conceal their abilities so much so that not many adventurers know about it.”

I sort of understand why they want to conceal it.

Even for me, I do not want people to know that I have a “S Drop”.

The person that knows about this is only Emily.

“Although I would not know whether the Neptune Family are actually good or just self-

declared that they are good, but judging from the achievements they are indeed perfect.

“I see.”

“Anyways... thank you so much for defeating it. Since it was such a sudden news, I could not prepare any reward at the moment, the reward would probably be given after Satou-san returns to Shikuro—I would not let you work for free, that’s a promise.”

“I don’t mind, I did it because I wanted to.”

“Then, at least let me voice out my gratitude. I’m really thankful for what you’ve done.”

With the words of Duke’s gratification and the voices of adventurers who are flourishing outside the thin layered tent.

I thought that I should not leave right now.



After leaving the tent, I walked back to Emily’s tent.

Selen’s atmosphere has also returned to normal.

Many adventurers are going into the dungeon, and very quickly other adventurers came out of the dungeon while pushing their Magic Cart, heading to sell their loots.

The dropped items are brought to the city, and they sell them to the shops, and one by one they carry the money earned from the loots.

Watching it was interesting.

It’s as if this is the world’s microcosm.

In a world where everything is obtained by drops, the people’s lives are centered around dungeons.

For production, manufacturing, and even service, and everything else.

Every activity is built around the dungeons.

I wonder if this world has any inflation or deflation, do they also have bubble economy or recession too?

If they have what would it be like, how would the dungeon be affected by these.

I was sort of interested by all these. I will look into it once I head back to Shikuro, all these were in my mind while I was walking back to the tent.



After returning to Emily's tent, I could see the appearance of Emily and Celeste.

Emily is in front of the tent starting up the fireplace, I wonder what she's up to.

When I waved at her, she smiled and waved back at me.

Whereas for Celeste, she is slightly away from the tent, she had her back turned towards me, and as usual she is currently at the place where the garbage is located.

Below her feet, a magic circle was expanded, it is the Level 3 Flame magic, Inferno, where she casted it onto the garbage and burned it up.

While the extensive magic had burned up the majority of the garbage, some still remained.

This time she took out something from her hand, and raised the two horns.

It's the Dungeon Master's drop, the Bicorn Horn.

While raising that up, she cast a magic and this time the flame was smaller compared to just a moment ago.

Even though the flame was small, but with that amount of garbage left, this kind of flame is good enough to burn them.

With the mountain of garbage she uses her own large scale magic, but with the leftover garbage she can just use the Bicorn Horn and cast some small scale magic to burn the garbage.

After cleaning up all the garbage that was there, a few more garbage was being brought again to the place.

Again she used the Bicorn Horn to burn them, and completely dispose of it.

After confirming that she had finally dispose of every garbage, I called out her name.

“Celeste.”

“Ryouta-san!”

The girl waved at me while having a smile floating on her face, then she gently walked towards me.

“.....”

I think this is a first for me.

The first time we met, after she finish disposing the garbage, she wasn't as cheerful as the person she is right now.

Previously the only thing that I could see from her was that she was always weak and extremely tired to the point of fainting.

They are many times where she exhausted herself till she collapsed.

“I see that you've just finish disposing the garbage.”

“It's thanks to Ryouta-san for giving me these pair of Bicorn horns.”

“I'm happy that you can make use of it.”

“This Bicorn horn is amazing. This is the first time that I can use a Level 1 magic for an unlimited amount of time. I only know of items that can only be use for a limited number of times, and after completely using it all up, it cannot be used again.”

“Usable items?”

“There are only three places on this world, it is produced from those dungeons that drops special things. Do you perhaps know about it?”

“Special... Is it the Special items?”

Celeste nodded.

Now that she mentioned it, in the drop status, there is a status that is named “Special Item”.

Previously I would not know what this meant, but now I sort of got it.

Since there's only three dungeons in this world, I really wanted to go there someday.

Somehow I turned around and looked at Selen dungeon which was crowded with adventurers and people from the outside.

The investigation of the drop is done, and various things happened too but we've also managed to defeat the Dungeon Master.

I guess I've finished up my work over here.

“I guess it's about time to say goodbye to Selen.”

“Are you... gonna leave?”

“Aah, originally it was Shikuro's association that asked me to come here for a short period of time, it's about time I missed my home. Though we have the self-made tent that Emily made which has a similar feeling to our home, but it cannot compare to the home back in Shikuro that Emily has put her sweat and hardwork into.”

“I see..... when, are you returning?”

“Tonight... probably first thing in the morning tomorrow. Since I have nothing else to do here, what's more there are lots of adventurers here right now and I can't really earn any income.”

“.....”

Celeste who was looking down, while biting her lower lip, her expression shows I that she wanted to say something.

While holding her hands near her chest, she was tightly clenching the Bicorn Horn.

While looking at her, I said.

“Do you want to follow us?”

“After I’m done with this place I will immediately head off to Shikuro.”

After I asked her, she immediately responded.

It’s almost the same timing. With the words being spoken together, we were both amazed.

“When you said you’re going to Shikuro, wh, why are you going there?”

“Even in Shikuro, disposing garbage is also important. If I quit my current job, I can just apply it at Shikuro... You don’t want me to follow along?”

“Shouldn’t we at least form a party—”

All of a sudden, inside my head the annoying face of Neptune appeared, and I remembered the words he spoke to me.

“—the Ryouta Family? I can created something like that for you to join.”

“I’ll join!”

Celeste immediately answered, while closing in on me.

It’s as if, if I don’t say it now there won’t be another chance.

“I’ll join! Please create one! I want to dive into a dungeon with Ryouta-san again!”

She held onto the Bicorn Horn even tighter than before, and came even closer to me.

She’s being serious..... as I thought. I should answer her.

“Un, let’s dive together. Ah, before I forget I should ask Emily—”

“Definitely nanodesu!”

“Wow!”

All of a sudden she appeared behind me and answered.

I turned around and saw Emily there, and in her hand was a something she'd just baked.

On top of the plate, is a whole cake.

"How did you prepare that cake?"

"I baked it."

"...but I only see a fireplace there."

"Yes desu."

Emily smiled gently while holding onto the cake.

Once again I faced towards Celeste, while putting her on hold, she was watching me with those puppy eyes.

Even though she is a tall beauty that is fit to be a model, she seems like a child who was about to be thrown away.

"I'll look forward to our future."

"Me too desu."

"—Yes!"

Celeste tightly clenched on the bicorn even harder than ever, and nodded with her face brimming with a smile.

Chapter 48

The first team of the family

The agricultural city of Shikuro, where I'm renting a 2LDK property for 150k Piro.

And in that place, I'm currently moving Celeste's luggage inside.

She'll be living with us before she finds another property in Shikuro, that's why we're moving all her stuff to our home for now.

By the way, I decided to stay in Emily's room for the time being.

Since it's a 2LDK, there are only two rooms. At first I wanted to let the two girls use the two rooms, but Celeste strongly refused that idea, so we decided on sharing a room, obviously it's Emily and Celeste in one room.

I'm planning to get an even bigger home once we've settled down.

What's more Celeste has asked to make the "Ryouta Family", so of course I would be the one that will have to manage it out.

I formed two plans.

It's either we rent a 3LDK and the three of us will live there, or I would go and rent a one room studio above the home we're living and move over there by myself.

Why a studio one might ask, that's because when I suggest to them that if I let them stay at the 2LDK right now, and buy a cheap 20k apartment by myself, both of them strongly rejected that idea.

Plus if I'm the one moving out, then I would have to live in a place one rank higher than them.

But well, I'm just having these thoughts whilst carrying Celeste's luggage over to our home.

“Kya!”

“Woops! Sorry.”

Because I my mind was full of thoughts, I did not see what was in front of me and knocked into Celeste, dropping her luggage.

The cardboard box fell onto the ground and opened up abruptly, resulting in a piece of luggage inside protruding.

“Sorry, was preoccupied with something.”

“Uun, it’s also my fault for not looking ahead—Kyaaa!”

The fallen luggage, no, more accurately, it’s the stuff that came out of the cardboard box. The moment Celeste saw it she screamed.

She immediately snatched it away and hid it behind her back.

I’ve seen it completely... more like I can still see it jutting out from behind her.

The thing that Celeste wanted to hide, was also visible when the box was wide open.

It’s a girl’s hobby, which is having fancy stuffed toys.

I can’t imagine that the image I had for this tall beauty that looks like a model would give off such impression of liking these sorts of things.

“You, you saw it?”

“I didn’t.”

Though I immediately responded her, the other side seemed to know that I was lying.

With a bright red face, Celeste said.

“Ple, please forget about this ever happening.”

While pleading me to forget about it, she then rushed into the home to hide it.

I blew it..... Guess I should follow her from behind.



After we finished moving all the stuff, I went out to the city with Celeste and Emily.

There's quite a few things to do, but first is to find a job for Celeste.

Saying it like I'm already used to this, we first went around searching for a job for garbage disposing.

“O, oi. Look at that.”

“What’er beauty. Was there someone like that around ‘ere?”

“Maybe it’s an adventurer that came from outside.”

“Wow.....”

Even though we just started walking for a couple of minutes, we can already hear people talking about us.

I do understand their feeling, because I have the same opinion as them.

Back when we were at Selen Dungeon, we didn’t really have the chance to walk around like this, but now that we are actually doing so, I can sort of see why.

Celeste, who has a tall figure while standing straight, with her long and beautiful luscious hair fluttering is indeed captivating to the eyes.

Her beauty is really through the roof that any modifications are unnecessary to display her beauty.

A totally eye catching beauty.

She’s the most beautiful person I’ve seen so far.

Walking beside such beauty really gave me a sense of superiority.

Ah, I just remembered. I wonder what she does with those fancy stuffed toys.

Does she hug it while she sleeps, or does she talk with it?

“Kusu.” (*TLN: SFX of sneeze*)

After having different thoughts, I unconsciously let out a smile.

“Eh? Isn’t that Ryouta-san?”

“Elza.”

The person that was in front of me is the shopkeeper Elza.

As she was looking at me, she had a smile on her face as she gently walked towards me.

“Long time no see, I see that you’re back.”

“Aah, I had some business to attend at Selen.”

“I’ve heard of the rumours. I heard that it was a huge success for you. I can also stand proudly that one of my frequent customers is this famous now.”

“Is that so.”

“Though rumours are still rumours, there are a lot of things I want to talk to with Ryouta-san. If you’re free you can come by and visit me to have a chat.”

“I got it, I’ll do just that.”

When we finished our talk, from behind she saw Emily standing.

“Uhm, who might that be?”

There, Emily and Celeste were standing side to side. Since she knew about Emily, so I guess the person she was asking about was Celeste.

“I’ll introduce her to you. Her name is Celeste.”

“Pleasure to meet you.”

“My name’s Elza, it’s a pleasure to meet you too!”

(Transition)

“Your friends..... wants to be in a family? You mean that family? That’s going to be something.”

“Is that so?”

While Elza was surprised, but right after she looked sort of depressed, and quickly frowned at me.

.....Why was she depressed?

“Well, so it’s about time that you are going to enter into the sixth floor.”

“Un, wait what does that mean?”

“Eh? Isn’t that the reason why you wanted to form a family in the first place?”

“Well, lot’s of things happened... I guess my wish right now is to just form a normal family?”

“Yes.”

Elza nodded, and with her usual employer smile she explained it to me.

“When you venture forth after the fifth dungeon, there are various difficulties to take note of, for example the method of defeating the monster, or how to defeat it at a high rate.”

“I see, so that’s the reason why we need a license.”

“Yes, normally one would form a team before going to the sixth floor, it’s better to challenge it with more people.”

“Ah, I see.”

While nodding, I looked at Emily and Celeste who was standing upright.

The both of them nodded back.

Since we're here why not head there now, conveying with them through eye contact.

"Thank you Elza, I'll bring in the drop items later."

"Yes, I'll await for your return."

After Elza gave her employer smile, we had a change of plans and decided to head off to Teruru.



After Elza sent Ryouta off, she made an envious expression.

While having such expression, she was staring at the newly appearing tall beauty, Celeste.

"Seems like a rival appeared."

"E, Ena. Don't say such weird thing. It's not like I'm..."

Ena, who is Elza's friend, abruptly appeared and said.

This is a common tendency among close friends to meddle on their friends in a funny way.

"I see? "I also want to join his family." is clearly written on your face."

"I never had such thoughts at all. I, if I were to go into the dungeon, I would just be a burden to him."

"You just don't understand."

Ena then leaned behind Elza's back.

The only reason she could do that was because they are best friends.

"Well, the only thing we can do properly is to buy off the drop items, and if there's any news coming from the dungeon we will be the first to inform, I guess."

“Un, if we can give them a heads up about the news then I think it’s plentifully helpful.”

“I guess that’s how it is.”

“Thank you Ena.”

“It’s fine, it’s fine. Aren’t we friends forever?”

Ena then gave a thumbs up, and winked at Elza.

I guess this is just how friends help us out, she thought.

What’s more Elza had regained her mood, and the two of them walk out of the shop.

“Oh, by the way Ena, you said something about us just now?”

“Eh? Did I~”

“You did~”



Teruru Dungeon, the sixth floor.

The first time we step foot in it, there was a slightly different atmosphere around here.

Even though it’s clearly a dungeon, it doesn’t feel like one.

There’s tree standing around. I wonder why and though it’s slightly dark but I can see something like a sky above.

“Is this even a dungeon...”

“It’s as if we’re outside nanodesu.”

“It looks kind of like Selen.”

“I know right.”

Afterwards, we walked around the dungeon, and we immediately encountered a

monster.

It's a huge Slime, and ten other smaller ones appearing together.

"Mu? There's two types of monster? Is this common?"

"You're mistaken, that is a <Parent-Child Slime> , that whole thing is 1 Slime. The big one is the main body, and the little ones are somewhat of it's hands and feets."

"You're quite informative, Celeste."

"I was listening in on some information from someone just a moment ago."

"Oh."

"I'm good at these sorts of things, so leave it to me."

"That's rather helpful."

I'm actually rather bad when it comes to collecting information.

After sorting out my thoughts I looked at the Parent-Child Slime.

A main body and it's limbs, if I were to think of it that way, it does look like a parent protecting its children.

"If that's the case I guess I just have to hit the main body first."

I loaded my gun with the Homing Bullet and simply fired.

The bullet went in a law defying trajectory, and goes through the child slime and hit the parent.

"Aah....."

"Ah?"

Celeste response was odd, though I immediately understood why.

The Homing Bullet was only suppose to aim at the parent slime and defeat it.

But when the parent disappeared, the children also disappeared along with it.

Everything vanished—and no there was no drop at all.

There's no drop at all, this was the first time something as absurd as this happened.

The reason was—I do not know either but somehow Celeste seemed to know why.

“I’m sorry that I cut you off. There’s still some other information right.”

“Un. The Parent-Child Slime’s drop is, dependant on the number of child you kill(wow). Only after you kill all the children and then killing the parent, will you get the respected drops.”

“So that’s how it works.”

“So what you’re saying is that if I were to defeat a lot of those child than I would gain a lot of drops too.”

“That’s true but, the more you defeat it’s children the stronger the parent gets. If you were to defeat all of it’s children, then it would become an opponent that is not to be taken lightly.”

“So I just have to be careful of how many I defeat.”

Most probably, adventurers who are venturing on this very floor would decide on how many children they can afford to defeat as their limit before fighting the parent slime.

Well it’s not like they can always get the amount they like all the time, since the monster moves around, what’s more it will obviously attack on sight.

Now I see why they want to test us first before coming to the sixth floor.

“.....”

Inside my head, I was currently simulating a way to fight it.



We finally encountered a second Parent-Child Slime.

Emily, Celeste and I were conveying messages through eye contact.

We nodded, and I first use my Freeze Bullet to attack.

I momentarily sniped, and aimed at the Parent Slime with the Freeze bullet, and stopped it for a moment.

“Inferno!”

At the same time Celeste chanted her magic, with her long hair fluttering around while a magic circle is being cast beneath her feet. She casted it towards the Parent-Child Slime, hitting all of them.

Besides the parent slime that was frozen, the child was burned in flames.

Cracked, the block of ice shattered.

Inside the center of the parent slime, its semi-transparent body began flashing with intense light.

“Yaaaa!”

Emily flew towards it, and on top of her head was her hammer spinning round and round. She aimed at the parent slime and slammed it down.

Clink.

The sound seemed to be like metals colliding with each other and the parent slime still looked intact.

Even with Emily's full strength it did not get any injuries at all—but I've predicted that happening to.

There was also a reason why I send Emily flying at it first.

“Annihilation Bullet! We need at least 4 shots nanodesu!”

“Yoshyaa!”

The moment Emily responded, she kicked the Parent slime and left.

I, who was on standby, took both my gun and fired relentlessly.

On my left is the Freeze bullet, and on my right is the Flame bullet.

When the two of it fused it will become an Annihilation Bullet which will hit the Parent Slime.

The bullet hit the Slime, and the body that could repel Emily's hammer was knocked back.

The Slime was wavering back and forth, and finally as if losing its strength, it fell to the ground flat.

After a ‘Pon’ sound resided, ‘po-po-po-po-po-pon’ rhythmically resounded and a huge chunk of drops appeared.

Because we burned a lot of the children slime to a crisp, there was a huge chunk of potatoes being dropped.

“That's amazing.”

“We did it desu!”

Emily and Celeste both shouted joyfully, and I secretly fist bumped.

And thus a strategy has been made

It was not done by just one person, but with the power of three person, it has given us an unprecedented sense of satisfaction.

We celebrated the coming of Celeste into “Ryota Family”'s first team.

With us three, I wanted to try out more things together.

Chapter 49

Planning and Improvising

The next day after we came back to Shikuro, I went to Nihonium after a long time.

During my stay in Selen, the number one bullet that was used the most was the Flame Bullets, so the reason why I came here is to replenish them.

The second floor, the monsters here are zombies.

Since it has been a long time, I was kinda rusty and for a moment my body was stiff when fighting the first zombie that I encountered.

Smiling bitterly, I took out my gun and head shot it.

The zombie fell to the ground, and a Strength seed dropped. I used the Collection Box to suck it up.

That's right, if I just head shot them it should work just as well.

Calming myself down, I once again took down the zombies one after the another with head shots.

While I was walking around looking for a prey, an idea pop up from my head.

Before I could finish thinking my body automatically started moving on it's own.

“Haaaa!”

The wall cracked the moment I threw a punched right at it.

Putting all my strength to my fist, I punched through the wall, resulting in my hand getting stuck. In that hard cemented wall, there's a feeling of a living body there.

It's the Nihonium's specialty—the undead that does surprise attacks.

Maybe because I've been diving into this dungeon for quite a number of times, I can somehow predict when a surprise attack is coming.

The moment I felt a presence I immediately did a preemptive attack, and tossed a fist at the zombie who was still coming out from the wall.

Wait. This is bad, if I defeat the zombie inside the wall, wouldn't the seed drop inside the wall too?

And if I were to so much as touch the seed it will immediately disappear. What's more, my Strength is already at S and it's unnecessary to pick up Strength Up seeds anymore.

Though it was a needless worry, since the Collection Box totally does it's job, I can just place the Collection Box inside the hole of the wall and suck up the Strength up seed.

After continuing this process of defeating zombies, I managed to get a total worth of 200 Flame bullets to convert.



Nihonium's third floor, the monsters are mummies.

They're undead monsters that have their bodies wrapped with bandages.

Though they don't look like it, they're tough. I can't just defeat it with one bullet in the head like before.

It often takes some time to defeat them.

What's more, I made a promise with Celeste and Emily that I will dive together with them into Teruru's sixth floor during the afternoon.

Looking at the time, I don't think I have even more than an hour left.

I was at a lost while standing at the entrance of the third floor.

I don't have much time. Should I just call it a day, or should I continue?

“.....Let's do it.”

I remember the things about Celeste, and decided to continue on.

First up I closed my eyes, imagining the structure of the third floor in my head.

Then I think of the places where the mummies usually spawn, where they normally spawn, and places where they love to do surprise attacks.

Then I added extra time when they would appear again, and finally constructed a route inside my head.

In my mind I have formed a route that can “have the highest efficiency of repetitively defeating the mummies.”

“.....Alright!”

After deciding on it, I went ahead to proceed the plan.

Immediately I encountered a mummy, I raised both of my guns with the normal bullets loaded in them and fired both of them to make the fusion bullet strike it right on the head.

Without waiting for it to fall, I grabbed it and proceeded.

Along the way the mummy vanished, and I quickly grabbed the Speed up seed.

—Speed +1

My speed that had stopped on A is added by 1.

To learn from my mistakes when encountering the Bicorn, I decided to quickly up my Speed to S.

Maybe it's because of my characteristics, or maybe that's how the world works.

Having a S status in a way is treated as something special.

That's the main reason why I'm trying to up it to S.

Though my appointment with them will be extremely rushed, I thought that I should at least up it right now.

Again another mummy appeared.

This time I grasped it's neck and lift it up, and proceeded onto the next point while punching it's head.

Again I took the Speed up seed, and my ability increased again.

I have arrived at a sort of hall.

This time there were two mummies. For one of it I used the fused flame bullets to burn it up, and as for the other one I ran towards it.

Instead of using my gun, I fought him hand-to-hand.

As you can see the mummy is clearly strong, but I still have the advantage as I have my S strength.

I jumped up and landed a hammer punch on it, knocking it on it's head. The mummy crashed to the ground.

After picking up the dropped Speed up seeds, I return to the other side.

The other mummy that was defeated dropped a Speed up seed, and nearby it, the wall broke. A mummy came out for a surprise attack.

“Don Pisya!”

The surprise • once again played back in my head when I was refining the route.

For that monster I used the Penetrating bullet to defeat it. I picked up a total of two Speed up seeds, and headed to the next point.

And thus I used various techniques to defeat the mummies.

After finally increasing my Speed to S, I quickly ran to meet up with them and made it just in the nick of time.



Teruru sixth floor.

The place is just like the outskirts, and over there we are currently searching for Slimes.

And slightly away from us we seemed to have found one.

The area where there is grass and trees are scattered around, we came to a place similar to the wilderness where only rocks and soil could be seen.

And one spot on the ground there are holes, and in the holes were filled with water, making the ground muddy.

Over there we saw several child slimes—they looked like they were having fun playing in the mud.

“It’s just the children. If you look at it from afar, they look kinda cute desu.”

“They look like little piglets. Though where is the parent slime?”

“The Parent-Child slime are always one body, so it must be here somewhere.”

“I see. I guess I should be on vanguard—”

When I was talking, the rock in front of us suddenly moved.

Wait, it’s not a rock, it’s the Parent-Child Slime that was covered in mud!

It’s camouflage—I received a surprise attack because I inadvertently approached a crazy parent and child slime on the mud!

The children all came to me at once. I reflexively guard with my arms, and jumped backwards to avoid the damage.

“Yaaaa!”

“Emily!?”

When I stepped back, Emily in return jumped in front and attacked them.

She slammed the hammer down with all her might, and the mud splashed, making a wet sound. Mud was scattered around.

“Haaaaa!”

She didn't stop with just that. Once again she swung her hammer down.

Accompanied with the wind pressure, the mud and rocks and the Parent-Child slime all sunk into the mud.

After seeing that, I immediately jumped midair and hold onto my gun.

I shot the Freeze bullet, making the mud freeze along with the rocks.

It has now become a wall of mud made of ice.

The wall pushed back the slimes, and each of them tried to attack the wall.

Since it looked like it was cracking a little, I fired another Freeze bullet to strengthen the density.

At the same time they were rushing against the wall to push it out.

Using the 10cm ice wall, I pushed the Parent-Child Slime like a bulldozer. I pushed it to where the child slimes were playing in the mud just now.

Like this I finally pushed them together—was what I thought when one child slime slipped pass and jumped at me.

While using my whole strength to push them, I couldn't dodge it in time—

Was what I thought but I could normally evade it.

I grabbed the upper body of the slime and tossed it back into the wall of ice.

It was quite easy.

Though I was lost for words, but I quickly understood why.

Since my Speed has recently been increased to S, I thought that my body was still at

the speed of when I had A for speed.

Thus I thought I could not evade it on time, but surprisingly I could evade it.

“Ryouta-san!”

“Ou!”

I kicked the wall of ice and somersault backwards.

“Inferno!”

The moment I withdrew from that place, the Parent-Child Slime was enveloped by a whirlpool of flame.

The flame melted the wall of ice instantly, and burned the children.

And inside the flame, the strengthened parent slime looked like a phoenix while it was slowly heading towards us.

I honestly thought it was kinda cool, though I stopped thinking about it and took out both my guns, and immediately fired 4 of the Annihilation Bullets.

The bullets went head on towards the parent slime, and boom, an instantaneous death.

Similar to what happened yesterday, the Parent-Child Slime dropped a huge amount of potatoes.

Oh, just so you know, when you defeat all the children and then defeat the parent slime, the total amount you get after selling all those potatoes are worth around 125k Piro.

It's the amount that we worked hard on.

Emily and Celeste walk towards me.

The three of us looked at each other.

Yesterday's victory was due to us working together.

For today, we all improvised and managed to exert all our powers to gain this victory.

Without saying a word we smiled together.

And all of us high-fived each other.

Chapter 50

Nihonium's Fourth Floor

The following morning, I made my way to Nihonium in continuation of venturing into the fourth floor.

Before that I went to the side of the entrance to confirm my status at the **Know-It-All Board**.

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Level: 1/1

HP: S

MP: F

Strength: S

Endurance: F

Intelligence: F

M mentality: F

Speed: S

Dexterity: F

Luck: F

Since yesterday, I had already increased my Speed to S at the third floor, so this time it's obvious that I'm going to continue diving into the next floor.

This Nihonium Dungeon is the so called 'limestone cave', so it's suitable to call it a "cave".

The reason why I mentioned about that was cause the fourth floor was similar to the rest of the floors, so I wonder.

Will it change after I reached the sixth floor which requires a license?

As I was thinking about it I continued moving forward.

“Oh, there it is... Is it another mummy?”

I was puzzled for a moment.

Because the monster that I encountered is a human-shaped demon with muscular features and bandages wrapped round and round around its body.

The appearance was almost similar to the mummies from the third floor, thus I was wondering whether I was on the right floor or not.

“I’m not sure whether it’s different—but let’s just defeat it to find out!”

For the caves in this world, all monsters residing in the cave drops basically everything.

More or less I had already made this a norm ingrained in me, so the natural thing is to defeat the monster right in front of me.

I first step forward and, using my calf I pushed myself forward and dashed right at the back of the monster and immediately struck my fist into the Mummies side.

Its body bent into a “<” shape and flew backwards immediately after I aimed at its head with a Penetrating Bullet.

The bullet blew up the Mummy’s head and the bandages slowly twirled down on the ground, as if its contents had melted.

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I waited for awhile, but no drop was present.

Even though the monster had been defeated, the bandages were still there on the ground, the seed that was suppose to drop isn’t there.

“.....It’s clearly different from the third floor.” I mumbled to myself.

This has never happened before as back when I defeated a mummy on the third floor, not a single bandage would remained and everything will disappear.

For reassurance I left the bandages there and went to search for another Mummy at a different location.

This time around I will defeat the Mummy using the fused Flame bullets as they are weak against fire.

When I did so, as I suspected—only the bandages remained.

“U-n, what’s going on here.”

Having no drop from them is troubling indeed.

My drop ability is all S. It is an S that exceeds this world’s best A rank.

With my drop being S, everything up until now where monsters that “will never drop anything” will be dropped when I defeated it. What’s more the item is not from this world.

If I defeat it I will get a drop, because I thought my drop is S.

That’s why I was troubled by not getting the drop right in front of my eyes.

“Is there an exception even if I have a S drop? U-n.” While I was groaning, an incident occurred.

The monster that had it’s contents melted left just the bandages behind, but like a videotape the scene in front of me played back in reverse, this time the bandage was filling in the content and it reshaped back into a human body.

The bandages returned back into a Mummy and started to attack me again.

“Otto! So that’s how it is!”

I was convinced and relieved at the same time.

It's not that I didn't get any drop from the monster, but the fact that I had not dealt the final blow at it.

If that's the case then I will just have to defeat it properly, so let's have a rematch with the monster again!

I remembered what happened at Selen and loaded the Homing Bullets into my guns.

This Homing Bullet, as the name implies, has a 100% rate of always hitting it's target. Moreover this excellent bullet doesn't just end there, but aims at the weakness of the enemies without acknowledgment.

While rapidly firing—the bullet's, instead of circling around the Mummy and head straight on it's weakness, it instead drove straight into the Mummy.

And at that moment, the Mummy ran towards me and hugged me.

It was like a bear hug, or like a Saba being folded.

The mummy broke my momentum while hugging me tightly to break my spine.

“You..... little!!!”

I grinded the back of my teeth and immediately swayed the Mummy's bear hug back and forth.

I kicked it off using a front kick and with that momentum I somersaulted behind and immediately drove a Flame Fusion bullet at it.

The flame burnt quite nicely, and the insides melted to the ground, leaving the bandages again.

Well then, this is where it starts.

Since this bugger could revive, I must completely defeat it.

Thus I turned around where my back was facing the bandages and fired my Homing Bullet where the bullet instantly turned a 180 degree sharp turn towards the bandage and pierce through it.

I need to further attack.

So I walked towards the bandage and stepped on it, swiveling it around.

Since it wasn't fighting back I picked it up and stretched it.

At first glance it looks like a normal bandage, but it was so robust that it doesn't seem to wanna rip apart.

“Gunununu!”

Even though I have a Strength of S, I can't rip it apart.

If that's the case, it means I just have to use a special method in order to tear it.

.....I feel like something similar happened before.

I unloaded the Homing bullets and loaded another special bullet into the gun once again. I threw the bandages onto the ground and shot it.

First up is firing my *favorite* Flame bullets, but it didn't burn up.

Next up I fired my Freezing bullets, but it just froze up and nothing else happened.

“It can't be.”

Finally I used my Healing bullets and fired at it.

The light effect of the Healing bullet enveloped the bandages, and melted it.

Even though I was stretching the bandages with all my might using my S strength, when I shot the Healing bullets, not even 5 seconds went by and already the bandages melted away.

And over there a seed dropped.

—Endurance up by 1.

“Yoshyaa!” without thinking I did a fist pump.

In order to elucidate this matter, I immediately went to search for another Mummy. I went back the way I came from, and saw that the Mummy that I defeated a moment ago revived back and was approaching me.

I fired my Healing bullets—but nothing happened.

This time I used the fused Healing bullets, the Sleeping bullets and fired at it—but again nothing happened.

So this time I decided on a hand to hand combat, and did a rushing punch on the Mummy's guts. It melted in front of me. Afterwards I took my gun and fired the Healing bullet at it and the bandages melted, dropping the seed.

I sort of got it.

After defeating the Mummy's first phase, leaving the bandages there, I'll have to use the Healing power to deal the final blow at it.

Now that I understood it, I'll prepare an abundant of Healing bullets and enter a full-fledged Mummy killing spree.

Once you understand the method of defeating it, it's practically the same as the Mummies on the third floor.

Having the same pattern as finding a job, I searched for the Mummies, and ended up with my Endurance increasing to E.



Nihonium first floor.

Since the time is almost towards afternoon, it's time for the group hunt with Emily and Celeste.

Though before that I wanted to confirm something.

While holding onto my gun, I searched for a Skeleton.

The bullet that I'm using right now is the bullet that I got from the Mummy from the

fourth floor, the special bullet that I've gotten after defeating the fourth floor's rogue monster.

Nihonium Dungeon is literally a dungeon made "just for me".

If I normally defeat the monsters, I will get a seed to increase my ability, but if I use the Collection Box and suck up the seeds and then bring it outside of the dungeon to turn it into a rogue monster, I will get a special bullet after defeating that rogue monster.

I'm currently testing out the effect of the new bullet that I'd gotten from the fourth floor in order to use it together with Emily and co.

Without waiting a Skeleton appeared.

My body instinctively moved because of the countless times I've been on this floor. Even if anything were to happen, as long as I take my distance and just fire the special bullet it'll be fine.

The bullet that was fired off *exploded* in the middle of the trajectory, and a bright light shone.

The light went on for about 0.1 seconds, and just like a firework the light extended and burst away.

During when the light was shining, the Skeleton couldn't move.

It's as if it was chained by a light rope, disabling it's ability to move.

.....I see.

And with my ability to name stuff I hence named this bullet the "**Restraint Bullet**".

How do I use the effect, I won't know until I check the effect and the area of restraint first.

Thus, I was really excited as I have a new tool to play around it, with that feeling I left

the dungeon.

Chapter 51

The king and his slaves attacks the city

In the afternoon, I'm in the shopping district.

During the morning I was with Emily hunting Dandelion in Arsenic Dungeon, and while Emily was currently selling off her loot, I was waiting at a corner for her to finish.

While gazing at the adventurers that were walking in and out of the shop, I was fiddling with my hands as I have nothing to do. Suddenly, from beside me a tea cup was being placed in front of my table.

When I looked up to whom it was, I saw Elza's face in front of me. She placed the tea and sat across the table.

“Have some tea while you’re waiting.”

“I didn’t know they serve tea here.”

“Fufu, that’s only because Ryouta-san is our loyal customer. I’m sure this cup of tea would further increase our shop’s performance in the future.”

“Then I should work hard on getting more tea.”

With Elza smiling sweetly, I drank the cup of tea.

I was surprised that this tea wasn’t like your typical cheap stuff where they either give you a tea bag or some powder to produce a cheap taste, but this refined taste indicates that they used proper tea leaves with boiled water to serve me.

I was sort of happy that they took the effort to prepare such good quality tea for me.

“Oh right, it’s about time for the **Harvest Festival**.”

“The Harvest Festival?”

“You don’t know about it? It’s a festival in Shikuro that is held once a year.”

“Heh, This Harvest Festival that you’re speaking of, does it have any relation to the monster’s drop?”

“Yes it does. The festival will be held for three days. In those three days, the entire production sellers will gather around there and sell their product.”

“Heh, everything huh.”

“Yes they have everything.”

“What would they do with the collected products?”

This reminded me of the Tomato Festival held on earth.

It’s a festival that was being held outside of Japan. The folks over there would gather a huge sum of tomatoes in the city, and they would play a snowball fight with each other using the tomatoes as the snowball. It was *bloody cool*.

Will they bash each other with the products, or would they just eat it?

“They’ll defeat it.”

“Eh?”

“Did you know that there’s an arena located at the south side of the city, and over there they would exhibit the products to return the products back to the original monsters. The exhibition is to show the product and it’s origins.”

“Aah, now I get it.”

For some odd reason I accepted it, as these sorts of event are *just like* this world.

At first I was like “Wait a minute?”, why would they simply let a rogue monster let loose in the middle of the city. But then again if it’s inside a safe and controlled environment like let’s say inside the arena, what’s more it’s an event that’s been held every year, then it made sense.

I’m pretty sure they would have some dispatch to take care of the rogue monster too.

“Though it’s fine if it’s just regular drops, if they were to find a rare monster’s drop, the chances of finding one would be slim. Thus it’s valued higher.”

“I see.”

“Afterwards I will be distributing a list of rare monster drops that we have not obtained to everyone.”

“Ahaha, guess I have to start working for this cup of tea then.”

“Yeap ♪”

Flowers bloom around Elza while she smiled, brimming with light.



Heading out of the trading shop, it’s time to go and team up with Celeste.

With the three person in Ryouta’s family, this time we are heading to Teruru.

“I guess there would be something like a Harvest Festival.”

“Was there nothing like this where you lived before, Celeste?”

“The place that I lived in had nothing of that sort ever.”

“I see.” as I nodded in approval.

I guess there are places that don’t have these sorts of festival.

Since it’s a story not related to us, we changed the topic and the conversation for the festival ceased.

In return, we talked about something that was in my mind for awhile.

“I’m thinking about renting a new house. The home that we’re currently living is a 2LDK, but with an addition of Celeste, I feel like having another room would be better.”

“I don’t particularly mind though?”

“Me too.”

“Un. But how should I put it, I want a new house. The three of us should have some savings from the potatoes that we’ve been selling right? So I was wondering, why not get a new house where the three of us can stay and let that be a hideout for the Ryouta Family.”

As I propose this idea to them, the both of them looked at each other.

“If that’s the case then I approve.”

“Me too desu.”

“Alright, then after this we will quickly inquire a real estate agent. What sort of house should we rent though?”

“I suggest having a bad house. As to why, that’s because I want to see the Goddess Emily transforming that horrible house and see the before and after look.”

“I get what you mean! Though I understand your feelings, but since we’re doing this might as well get a decent to high quality house.”

“That’s true. What’s more, those kinds of houses might have something popping out.”

“I’m slightly afraid of ghosts desu.” as Emily was saying that, she was grasping her hammer tightly while shivering in fear.

Even though she could instantly shatter a big rock no problem, when it comes to spirits and such she’s actually afraid of them.

“Non non, what I’m talking about isn’t ghosts and such, but **those**.”

“Those desu?”

“Yes, those, the cock—”

“Stop it Celeste, any further and we might be in trouble!”

I frantically stopped her, but it was too late.

Pishi! An eerie sound can be heard and the air around us suddenly stiffens.

A frightening Emily could be seen.

Emily, who seemed to have stopped time around her, the light in her eyes turned cloudy.

“Yoda-san.”

“Uh, wh-what is it?”

“If that time comes, I’ll commit seppuku desu.”

As soon as she said that, she grasp her favorite hammer.

“Emily wait a moment, you can’t use a hammer to cut your stomach!”

“It’s alright nanodesu, if a person puts their thoughts into something, anything is possible nodesu. If I were to be exposed to those threats, I’m sure I can prudently cut myself with a hammer desu. Fufufu, maybe I can just practice doing so right now desu.”

“Wha——! Wait, wait, wait a minute don’t be so rash——Emily since when have you been so strong!”

Celeste, who did not understand the situation at all was stunned. I was holding onto Emily(Strength A) who was trying to use a hammer to kill herself, while trying to calm her down

Finally after some time she gave up, and her usual atmosphere returned.

“Ryouta-san, that..... it’s better to omit that word from now on right.”

Seems like Celeste has also come to an understanding.

After trying various methods to calm Emily down, she regained her mood and we can now finally head off to Teruru dungeon.

Suddenly, we heard a loud scream coming from somewhere.

There’s a guy and a girl, no, there’s all kinds of people screaming in terror.

Immediately, the city began to miser.

“What hapened!”

“I don’t know desu.”

“It seems that there’s screaming coming from that direction.”

The location that Celeste was pointing was the direction leading to the entrance of the dungeon.

We immediately understood why.

“It’s a monster! A rogue monster has appeared!”

The citizens that were running away from the monsters were screaming loudly.

Something crossed my mind of what happened previously.

There two adventurers, man and woman, ran straight towards us.

“You idiot, hurry up and run.”

“Hey, what’s happening?”

“Apparently these adventurers were blinded by money, so they dived deep into the floor who *those* monsters were there, they managed to defeat them. But as they were about to return to the surface they were killed.”

“Aah... since they were dead, the items were left behind.”

“That’s about it, for now just run to safety. With just us, we can’t do anything about it but to flee.”

“Un!”

The moment the paired adventurers said that they ran away in full speed.

“Kyaaa!”

Again screaming can be heard, this time it was close by.

When we looked at the direction of the voice, Elza was there.

While she was running away she fell down and landed on her butt.

And the Slimes are closing in on her.

The body is in full pink, and the eyelashes were long with double eyelids—if you strictly look at the face you can consider the Slime a beauty.

“It’s a **Slime Jariya**!”

Celeste accidentally leaked out a voice close to screaming.

Even though she came here not to long ago, but she had already collected so much data.

Though this is not the time to listen to her carefully.

I took out my guns, and without the time to load more ammo I immediately aimed at the Slime Jariya and fired.

On my left the normal bullet flew straight at it, and on my right the Restraint Bullet flew out.

The Restraint bullet let out a faint light, and restrained the Slime Jariya with a light rope.

While it was being restrained, I immediately went beside Elza, and quickly lifted her up.

“Ryouta-san.”

“Hold on tight!”

I caught hold of Elza and flew back.

I tagged out and Emily went in with her hammer spinning round and round approaching close to the Slime, whilst Celeste was using the Bicorn Horn to shoot a

volley of fire bullets as support.

The restrained Slime Jariya was being hit by the fire bullets, and following up Emily swung her hammer straight down on the Slime without thinking.

Though, that did not defeat it.

“Haaaaaa!”

Emily hyped herself up, and swung her hammer multiple times at the restrained Slime Jariya.

The method is like hammering on mochis.

In the middle of all these the restrained bullet broke off, and I fired another Restraint Bullet as support.

The Slime Jariya that *had no chance* to resist was being beat up for about 10 seconds, and finally it was defeated.

“This monster is kinda tough.”

“Well, that’s obvious as the Slime Jariya resides in Teruru’s 26th floor.”

“26th floor!? I didn’t know this monster resides so deeply in the dungeon. No wonder it was so difficult to defeat it.”

“Uh, uhmm... Ryouta-san.”

On my arms I could her Elza’s voice.

With such soft and clear voice. Looking at her, her face was pale, and her hands were shaking in fear.

“Thank you... very much.”

“Are you alright? Are they any injuries?”

“There’s no injury.”

“Phew, I’m glad.”

Seems that Elza is fine for the time being.

When I let go of her hands it seems that she could support on her own.

“Though, why has the commotion not stopped?”

“If I’m not mistaken, the Slime Jariya’s are considered as normal monsters on the 26th floor.”

“Eh? It’s not a rare monster?”

With a serious expression, Celeste nodded.

“The rare monster in the 26th floor is called <**Slime Sultan**>, since the Slime wears a crown on its head, you can immediately spot it.”

“A crown..... like a king huh. So the one we defeated was different, it’s more of like the king’s slave/servant.”

“That’s right. Though we don’t have to worry anymore.”

As Celeste finish saying, the commotion is slowly dying down.

If an emergency situation occurs, high level adventurers will immediately get hold onto it and appear, and will be fighting around the city—more like they will stop the monster’s movement and defeat them.

Even from afar I can tell, it’s similar when I’m inside the dungeon and feel a sort of atmosphere.

I can sort of feel that the adventurers are slowly diminishing the monsters.

“If that’s the case then it’s settled—”

“Kyaaaa!”

As we were about to be relieved, another screamed was heard.

I looked at Emily and Celeste, and the three of us reacted at the same time.

We ran straight towards the location of the scream, and over there another monster was present.

A slime that was wearing a crown, it's a Slime Sultan.

Around it there are a few adventurers who have fallen from battle—seems like they were hit by that Slime.

“Yoda-san, we should help them desu!”

As Emily said so she ran straight ahead.

She swung her hammer round and round, as per her usual stance she dropped the hammer down, and shook the side after landing.

The 130cm body with a huge hammer took a full swing at the Slime Sultan, sending it flying afar.

Then Emily pursued the Slime Sultan that was flying away---wait no in order to protect the fallen adventurers she pursued the Slime Sultan.

Celeste also follow suit and ran ahead.

“—!”

While grinding my teeth, I took out my dual gun and loaded the Healing Bullets and fired at all of the fallen adventurers.

Around the vicinity the light of the healing ability shone. Once I knew they weren't in danger, I went ahead to where Emily and co are.

Emily is in a pinch.

The Slime Sultan underlaid on top of Emily, preventing her hammer from smashing on it.

And slightly from afar Celeste was firing flame bullets using the Bicorn Horn, but with only a Level 1 Magic spell, it did almost no damage to the Slime Sultan.

“Get away... from Emily!!!!!!”

I rushed towards the Slime Sultan and pushed it away.

The Slime retreated from above Emily, and landed on the floor with its body seemingly like jelly flopping around.

I pushed the Slime Sultan towards a building's wall, and the wall was semi-ruptured and rubble fell down on it.

The Slime Sultan then changed shape and counter attacked.

I guarded and flew backwards, took out my gun and fired the Restraint Bullet.

After the light, the light rope restrained the Slime Sultan.

Though—it immediately broke off.

“Not even two seconds huh.”

Immediately I looked back, and I saw Celeste helping Emily get up. Though Emily doesn't have any injuries, but because of the Slime Sultan, her hammer was bent to the side.

I can't rely on Emily's fire power anymore, I'm the only one left to deal with this.

I switched my bullets—and repeatedly fired.

On one side is all normal bullets, and on the other is the Restraint bullets followed by normal bullets.

When the Restraint Bullets hit the target, the Slime Sultan was restrained for about two seconds.

And in that two seconds I closed the distance to about 1 meter and fired a hail of Penetrating Bullets.

Although I fired my magazine till it was blank, I could not deal the final blow.

Though, it seemed to be working.

“If it’s like that!”

I loaded more bullets, again I fired a single Restraint Bullet and the rest are all normal bullets.

“Uooooo!”

I relentlessly fired at the Slime who was 1 meter away from me.

And continued firing again.

When the restraint was released, I fired another Restraint bullet and again I fired more Penetrating bullets.

After repeating that—I ended up using 10 sets.

The Slime Sultan that has a series of holes like a beehive has finally stopped moving and was defeated.

“Fuuh, there’s a limit to how tough one may be. If another were to appear I don’t think I can handle it.”

I’m glad I have the (god-like) Restraint Bullet on time, the exchange of 4 Flame bullets and 2 Healing Bullets in order to get 1 Restraining Bullet, firing that is somehow *dangerous in a way*.

And with that I was finally relieved, and from the rogue monster of the Slime Sultan, a pouch-like item dropped from it.

Chapter 52

Emily • Hammer

For now, I'll keep the pouch that I just picked up into my pocket.

Based on my experience, I know that the item I picked up this time around must be a good item again, but I'll confirmed that afterwards.

First things first, I'll head back to where Emily and Celeste were.

"Are the both of you alright?"

"I'm alright."

"Me too desu."

From the way the both of them responded, it looks like there's nothing to worry about.

"Ah, the grip of the hammer has bent."

"Lemme try to fix—uun, let's get an upgrade. This time, instead of repairing it, let's upgrade it so that the handle will never be bent again."

"That's a nice idea Celeste. I wonder what hammer would be better though."

"Well, there is this equipments store in town that has a 5 Million Piro equipment piece."

Celeste answered based on the information she gathered.

"Let's make it so that both ends of the hammer will have a different effect, on one end when you hit someone, it will give twice the damage on the opponent, and on the other end when you hit a monster, it will send a sort of AOE damage to it's surrounding, dealing the same damage to all of them from the monster you hit."

"Having to freely switch between a times two damage multiplier and a range attack

seems cool. Okay, let's do that then."

Celeste and I nodded in unison.

"No, no, it's not okay. Having to spend 5 Million on something on me is too wasteful, a ghost might appear too. If I do this to my Hammer—"

Emily hurriedly refused our offer, and hold onto the bent handle of the hammer and tried to twist it back to it's original position.

Hnnnngh—with her face bright red, she used the entirety of her strength to bend it back.

Snap!

A high pitched sound echoed, and the handle of the hammer was snapped in half.

"Un, I understand your feelings Emily."

"You dealt the finishing blow before it turns to dust right."

"Hau! No that's not what I was trying to do nodesu!"

"And to do that you showed off your strength too. It's certainly true that someone having a Strength of A is something to be proud off."

"I'll surely lose to that Gorilla face."

"Hau! That was an accident nanodesu! Anyway, if we just find a tape and bandaged it together, I can use it again nodesu."

"What sort of tape is that even."

"The tape must be as strong as Emily's A strength—and getting that sort of tape is even more expensive compare to just, I don't know, getting a new hammer?"

"Uuu..... A wasteful ghost will appear desu....."

Although Emily was about to tear up, she was still trying to decline our offer.

Even when I was living with her, even when it's for her sake, she would never let me spend some money on her.

Even way back when we first started living together, I wanted to rent her her own personal house, but in the end she asked me to live with her.

Emily would always think for me—no she would always prioritize us before herself.

Even though that is the source of why she is always kind and soft, this time I will force my feelings onto her.

“Emily”

I squat down, and face the 130cm Emily eye to eye, then stared straight at her eyes.

“You always look out for me all the time, so just this one time, let me return that favour to you.”

“Uu.....”

Emily leaned backwards slightly. Why did she cover her face?

“Please just this one time, let me help you.”

“.....Yes, desu.”

After thinking awhile, Emily finally nodded.

“Then that settles it, tomorrow we shall work extra hard to earn money. Our goal is 5 Million Piro. What's that, if I were to seriously do this, we don't even need a week to reach our goal!”

“I'm so looking forward to this, we're diving into the dungeon to get Emily a new weapon. I'm sure we will head further into the dungeon together and defeat more monsters.”

“Aah.....”

“If we return the favour to Emily, we would also benefit from it.”

With a shameful feeling I shrugged my shoulders. Celeste was smiling gently, and Emily who had an apologetic expression soon smiled too.

“Yoda-san, Celeste-san.”

Emily looked at the both of us, and gave an extremely happy look, it is a smile one would also naturally smile when looking at it.

“Thank you nanodesu.” was what she answered.

Though that's my line, but it'll spoil the mood so I refrained from saying it.



At night, we came back to our home after a day of diving into the dungeon, and suddenly a well dressed youth came and visit us.

We led him into the living room, and sat face to face across the table. The polite youth then state his name.

“My name is Smith, pleased to make your acquaintance.”

“Yes, it's a pleasure to meet you too.”

“First off, I'm sorry if this comes off as slightly rude of me, but I would like to immediately dwell into the incident about the Slime Sultan that happened today in the city. The three of you who fought back there were extraordinarily wonderful. It is rare to see a party of three to be able to defeat an extremely powerful monster residing in Teruru's 26th floor.”

“Hah.....”

Smith praised us endlessly.

Though there's nothing wrong to be praised at, but it is indeed troubling that the moment he visits our home, he starts praising us.

When our eyes met, Emily and Celeste also had a similar expression as me.

“Well then, this is the main topic that I came here for. It seems that the lady's weapon

over there has been broken, am I right?"

"Aah, we are going to get a new one for her soon."

"Then, allow me to provide a new one for you."

"Provide?"

" "Aah..." "

Both Emily and Celeste let out their voice.

It seems that both of them came to the same conclusion, but what is it?

"Our company deals with many weapons. So I wonder what sort of weapon would Satou-sama want to buy?"

"What sort of, well obviously a strong weapon?"

"That is a definite, but what if there are multiple weapons of similar strength?"

".....Well."

"Then you should get a weapon that famous people are using. Many adventurers desire a stable weapon, so we are always reluctant on handing out new weapons."

I've come across a few of these conversations before.

Since a dungeon literally drops anything, so hunting a monster in a dungeon is an "act of producing". Therefore, most adventurers desire a stable weapon.

"Therefore, a "Weapon that is used by famous people" sells really well. If a notable person is using it then that guarantees the weapon, and you will feel safe using it. But that's just my thoughts when selling these weapons."

"Ah, I get what you're trying to say."

"Hence, please allow me to offer a new Hammer for Emily-sama. I'm pretty sure the hammer that Emily used to beat off the Slime Jariya would sell well too."

Now I see, it's similar to a sponsor providing a famous sportsman their equipments.

Although it was unfortunate that Emily's hammer was broken off after dealing with the Slime Jariya and Slime Sultan, but in return we have an opportunity to get a new hammer for her.

I turned to look at Celeste, and she silently nodded.

Even though we wanted to get that as a gift for her, but in a case like this it might be good to talk it out first.

“I understand your offer, but Emily, are you okay with this?”

“Etto.....”

“Of course, because I was the one who suggested you to use our weapons, the payment is obviously free—”

“I want it desu!”

Emily immediately replied with vigour.

If 5 Million can turn into 0 Piro, she will obviously accept it.

“Thank you so much. Then without further ado let us produce an original hammer, a hammer made just for her, Emily's Hammer. As for the modifications for the hammer, please tell me more about it.”

“Yes desu!”

And thus Emily and Smith started talking about the modifications.

While Emily is showing a desire for something, Celeste who was watching had glittering eyes of expectations.

<Emily's Hammer>, I too am excited what that would turn out to be.

TLN Note:

Wasteful Ghost: Well, there is a wiki talking about it but I won't go in depth, but it just means don't waste something, a perfect example is from our parents constantly saying: "Don't waste your food!"

Chapter 53

A genius, sometimes a God, and now a Prince

The next day, I walked my way towards Nihonium which I usually went in the morning.

When I stepped foot into the first floor, I saw Princess Margaret and her gang in the dungeon.

Seeing the somewhat beautiful Princess Margaret where she delivers the final blow to a monster and the dropped *air* would be sucked up into the box and later on sell it to her customers.

There, the guy who was appointed as the leader saw me, and greeted me with a smile.

“Yo Satou-san.”

“Yo.”

“If there’s some time, I would like to reward you with something. During the time you advertise for our **<Pandora Box>**, the popularity of the box has skyrocketed.”

“Oh so that’s what happened.”

“Seriously, can’t thank you enough for it.”

“Anyhow, you’re doing the usual *air* business?”

After asking about it, I looked around the dungeon.

Further away from us was the nonchalant Princess Margaret with her 4 assistants.

They’re currently fighting a monster right now. The 4 guys would first weakened the monster, then let Princess Margaret deal the final blow.

“Yeap. Though recently our business is going on sluggishly, so I had a lot in my mind to worry about.”

“That’s because.....”

Probably cause you’re selling *air*?

Though the item that you’ve been selling itself is rather questionable too.

“It’s not like Princess Margaret’s popularity has plummeted, so I wonder why.”

“Can’t you just sell something else?”

“Something else?”

“Yeah, for example you could use that Pandora Box and using her as an appeal to attract other producers? I’m sure it’ll sell well. For example you can use panties.”

“____!”

The guy widened his eyes in surprised.

“Are you some kind of genius!”

“.....I think I’m more of an old man right now.”

The moment I let that slipped out of my tongue, I sort of regretted it. Is this still a time where bloomers and sailor uniform still exist?

“That will sell! It’ll sell but... the image of Princess Margaret would...”

“It’ll be ruined, in a way you can put it as slicing a chicken’s stomach to get the eggs.”

“?”

He tilted his head in confusion.

Oh right, since the drop in this world is different, they would not get that idiom.

Well since it’s troublesome to explain about it, I naturally diverted the conversation.

“Some other items... Hmm, this is difficult.”

While looking at the guy who was groaning, I thought of contributing with some ideas too.

Something that would display the name of that Princess.

That reminded me of what happened yesterday.

It was about the time when Smith came to visit us and offered Emily a weapon for free in exchange of advertising her as the owner of the weapon.

The word “brand” is floating around my head right now.

“How about, something like a ring?”

“A ring?”

“Yeap a ring. A ring that is produced by Princess Margaret. I mean, it’s not a bad thing. What’s more in reality, it’s practically the same thing as say selling your airbox and the panties? Let’s see..... how about having a catchphrase like “A ring that Princess Margaret gave you as a present”, or something along the lines.”

“Are you God!!!!”

The guy praised me and valued me even higher than before.

“Yes, rings are great! It’s wonderful! If it’s rings then I would have to hunt in Macrolide instead of Shikuro then. If that’s the case I would also need to employ new adventurers...”

The guy then mumbled to himself while rubbing his chin.

The moment he found a business opportunity he was already exploring the possibilities to achieve that goal—truly the mind of a merchant.

Since it’ll be bad if I bother him any further, it’s time to—.

“Kyaa!”

Suddenly someone shouted.

I wonder what happened, but it was Princess Margaret that was shouting.

Apparently the four assistants were defeated by Skeletons that came from the walls for a surprise attack, and was knocked unconscious.

The Skeleton that had removed the men then head towards Princess Margaret's direction.

I immediately took out my gun and fired a Restraint Bullet.

The bony fingers that were about to reach for Princess Margaret were suddenly wrapped in a light rope.

I immediately dashed forward to where Princess Margaret was. When she was about to faint I hugged her, and jumped backwards.

In midair, I used the other gun, which is loaded with normal bullet, and fired a few shots at the Skeleton.

The Skeleton took in a few of my bullets and its bones shattered.

Right as we landed on the ground, the Skeleton also fell to the ground and without *anything left behind* it disappeared.

“Are you alright?”

“Aah.....”

Princess Margaret immediately used her small hands to push my chest away from her.

While she was frantically trying to look away from me, I stole a glance at her face. Her face was being stained with the colour of vermillion.

“Are you alright Princess!”

“Un, I’m okay.....”

The guy who ran to us immediately ask, and the princess replied in a soft and timid voice.

When he heard that the princess was alright, he let out a sigh, and turned towards me and bowed.

“Thank you for saving her! Really thank you!”

“It’s okay, all that matters is that she’s safe.”

“Please let me reward you with something in return.”

“You don’t have to go to that extent to reward me though.”

“No no, since from the fight displayed earlier, it seems that the item you used to defeat the Skeleton is a consumable goods, or something along that category. I’m really sorry that you had to use such expensive item on a dungeon that drops nothing. Oh right! I can just return you with a ring then.”

“Eh?”

“Since we’ve discussed about finalizing the idea of selling the Princess’s ring. Then let us have the honour of giving you the very first product completely free of charge!”

“I think that would be bad in many ways.”

“The princess is weak, and seeing that you saved her without a hint of hesitation, you are her savior. So please!”

The guy further bowed down.

Well, I guess this is what I get from getting involved.



After separating with the guys, I went to Nihonium’s fourth floor.

I immediately encountered a mummy. Since it surprised me at such a close range, I had to knock it down with taijutsu. When it turned into a pile of bandages, I used my Recovery bullet to decimate it.

Though the sight of a drop wasn’t present at all.

“Fumu.”

Confirming the situation, I further wandered around the dungeon.

This time a pair of mummies appeared.

The mummies slowly crept closer, though I noticed that the two mummies had a different walking pace, so I turned around and ran away.

After one of the mummy chased up to me, I took out both of my guns and fired a Penetrating bullet at it. I aimed at the perfect timing so as the Penetrating bullet would pass through the head of the first Mummy and afterwards blew off the second mummy's head.

When the flesh of the mummies melted away, the bandages swirled down on the ground and entwined with each other.

Around that area, I fired the Recovery Bullet and it extinguished.

As expected, nothing dropped.

After confirming the situation, I reached for the pouch from the left side of my lower waist and grabbed hold of it.

Opening the pouch and looking through it, I saw that there are 5 things inside the pouch.

—Max HP upped by 1.

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-Endurance upped by 1

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Apparently the grains of ability up was called—I mean the seeds was called into the pouch.

During the time when I helped Princess Margaret on defeating the Skeletons, and now the Mummies that I defeated on the fourth floor.

The total of 5 seeds was called into this pouch.

This pouch item was dropped by the Rogue Slime Sultan when I defeated it.

And apparently the effects of this pouch is when I defeat an enemy and they drop something, the drop would immediately be sent into this pouch.

Though it is similar to the effects of the Collection Box and the Pandora Box, but there's one thing that is definitively different from the boxes, that is when an item is dropped, the drop would immediately be *sucked inside* the pouch.

Thus we saw a scene of me that "did not get a drop".

This is an equipment that I'm grateful of.

Up until now, whenever I tried to defeat rogue monsters inside the city, I had to find an extremely secluded area where not a single soul is present to defeat them in order to avoid suspicion, but now with this pouch I don't have to ever worry about that anymore.

While I was thinking of various things, a mummy appeared. I instantly killed it and cleansed the bandages.

Right after that the dropped item went inside the pouch that was upside down.

And the seed landed on the ground.

—Endurance upped by 1.

After picking it up my ability increased.

It appears that if the item is transferred into the pouch without me touching it, it won't disappear.

So if I were to use this pouch to carry all those seeds outside the city and turned them back into rogue monsters, I would save time in collecting more special bullets without relying on the Collection box.

“I wonder if there’s other way of using it.”

I was wondering whether if there are any other usage for this pouch.

While pondering about it, I subconsciously defeated more mummies one after the other.

And thus my Endurance has finally increased from E to D.

Translator Note:

Burucela(ブルセラ):

there are three meanings when I searched for it, one was brucellosis where it is a highly contagious zoonosis caused by ingestion of unpasteurized milk or undercooked meat from infected animals, or even close contact with their secretions(literally copy paste from wiki). As for the second meaning... for some reason Google-sensei said that it is child pornography..... And lastly, the one that I think should be the correct term for this, which is just a combination of Bloomers and Sailor Uniform, which is popular in Japan.

Chapter 54

The Melancholy of a Magician

I felt refreshed as I opened my eyes to the morning bright light.

Waking up to a fragrant scent, I fixed myself and walked to the living room. There, Emily was in the process of preparing our breakfast.

“Good morning Yoda-san.”

“Morning..... Eh what happened to Celeste-san?”

“Morning.....”

On the dining table, I could see Celeste sitting there like a wilted flower.

She doesn't seem energetic, and would faint at any moment.

“Seems that her head is in pain desu.”

“A headache? Did you fall sick?”

“It's not like that, it's because of the Magic Storm.”

“By Magic Storm, you mean that phenomenon that restricts users from using magic completely?”

Without much energy, Celeste nodded to my answer.

“When a Magic Storm arrives, my head would become heavy and a stinging pain would come every so often.”

“Ah-..... I know how you feel as when during a low pressure(rainy) days I would get extreme headaches. Is there any way to help you, like maybe getting a medicine or something?”

“It's alright... Once the Magic Storm subsides this headache will automatically recover by itself.”

“I see.”

Celeste answered as if it was obvious.

If she herself said it then I guess it must be so.

I guess for someone like Celeste who is a Magician, when a Magical Storm hits the town, it's not just her not being able to use magic, but it would also worsen her physical health.

“Well then, I guess we should call off from venturing into the dungeon today.”

“No, please don't because of me, you can't do your usual routine. Don't worry about me, Ryouta-san and Emily can go on ahead as usual.”

“Nah, since it's come to this.”

I said as I smiled at Celeste.

“Let's go find a real estate agent today.”

We have been delaying the search for a new home.

If it's not for diving the dungeon everyday, I would've went and inquired about a new home by now.



In the morning I went to Nihonium's fourth floor to increase my Endurance from D to C.

We wanted to head straight to a real estate agent after breakfast, but because Celeste still needed time to move around, I took the opportunity and went ahead to increase my ability first while waiting for her to be slightly better.

Besides that, it was time I made use of my newly acquired pouch.

Instead of defeating the Mummies and using the seeds one by one, I would defeat the Mummies one after the another, and only use them all up at the end.

Calling upon the increased ability to the brain cell, even at level 1 I could continuously up my ability like the time I was defeating the Hagu○ Metal Slime.(DQ reference)

Thus for the morning's earnings, in a completely different meaning, it felt good that the brain juice came out.



When noon came, together with Emily and Celeste, we walked in the city.

Because of the influence of the Magical Storm, a large amount of Magicians are currently in the city.

In the restaurants you could see things like "The Magician's Day", "Magician's visiting the restaurant would get 10 times the point", or even "If you come as a group, the Magician gets to eat completely free of charge." etc.

I guess they are also trying to get a profit from the magicians.

To the only Magic user, Celeste seemed to still be a little worn out.

"Are you sure you're okay?"

"For the most part, I'm fine. Though I shouldn't push myself, I can still manage if it's just normal walking."

"If you say so."

"What's more, this time around we are able to use magic inside the city, so it isn't that painful."

"You're saying this is not as painful as before....."

Judging by the scale of the Magic Storm, there are two types, one is when you cannot use magic in the dungeon, and the other is when you cannot use magic both inside the city and in the dungeon.

And judging by what Celeste had said, it seems that the scale this time was small as she can still use a little of her magic inside the city.

Though she still looked pale to me.

After chatting with one another while walking, we finally arrived at an estate agent. When we went in, a familiar face arises. A young guy with a soft hip—Antonio stood up, and greeted us.

“Well if it isn’t Satou-san, it has been a long time since we’ve last met. So what brings you here today?”

“I thought of renting a new home.”

“Oh, I see.”

Antonio smiled grimly while nodding, then he looked at Celeste.

“She’s our new companion, thus we want a house that can fit three person inside.”

“Yes of course! Please come right here.”

Being led by Antonio with his business smile, we sat on a sofa for guests.

After relaxing on the sofa, Antonio started speaking.

“Well then, what sort of requirements are you looking for for this new house?”

“The must have requirement would be a 3LDK, or more. Like, I want a house which has three bedrooms.”

“Then I would also suggest having a house that has a guest room too.”

“A guest room huh.”

“Yes.”

Celeste nodded in agreement, so I turned and looked at Emily instead.

Emily looked at me while tilting her head with a question mark(?) on top of her head.

“Of course we will be living together, but if someone were to come and stay overnight, we would want to brag about it too that we have a guest room for them to sleep.”

“I totally get what you’re trying to say!”

I fully agree with Celeste’s opinion.

“There are times when you just want to brag about **Emily House** right. Or sometime in the future, if we were to invite a hooligan to our house, he/she will be “reformed” in no time.”

“I wonder what would happen too if I were to bring an undead monster over. I’m sure it will be purified by a wave of purity immediately in that shrine like house.”

“That might be possible too.”

Celeste and I were nodding back and forth to each other.

“It wouldn’t desu, can the two of you please stop talking about weird stuff desu.”

“Non non, these aren’t weird stuff. Right, Celeste.”

“Yes, Emily’s healing is, without a doubt, the best in the world.”

“You two! You’re always making fun of me nanodesu.....”

Emily, who thought she was being teased by us was pouting slightly, though we were serious about it.

“By the way, how much is the cost.”

“300k Piro a month.”

I was immediately answered.

As a basis, our current home is 150k Piro, so in order to move out, we need twice the amount huh.

“300k !”

“Isn’t that a huge sum, Yoda-san.”

“I don’t think so? If the three of us were to hunt the Parent-Child Slime with the highest efficiency. In one cycle, we could probably get around 120K Piro. If you think about it, we can get 300K Piro if we work hard for a day. What’s more!”

I looked at Celeste and Emily.

“I want the both of you to stay in a nice home.” I earnestly answered.

After hearing that, Celeste and Emily looked at me with surprised.

Right now, the income of Ryouta Family is being managed by me.

The money that is being collected from selling the drop items, all of it is being sent to me.

So when I mentioned about “my earning”, it’s obviously the earnings of us three together.

It is wrong that I don’t return the earning that we have gained through our sweat and pain, what’s more this sum of money is earned together.

We are using this money that we earned together for the sake of ourselves.

That is all there is to it.

“Thank you, Ryouta-san.”

“Thank you desu.”

“I don’t think I’m entitled for this gratefulness. Since this sum of money is from the hardwork of us three together.”

“Well then, how about a property like this—”

“Ugh!”

While I was trying to pay for the property to Antonio, suddenly, Celeste was pressing onto her forehead.

“What’s wrong Celeste?”

“My... head... is a little...”

“Your head? Is it due to the Magic Storm?”

“From what I’ve heard the Magic Storm would be much stronger starting from this

afternoon, the scale is large enough that magic cannot be used in the city too.”

Antonio said as he frowned, knitting his eyebrows.

Something like this can happen too huh.

“Is that Miss over there a magic user?”

“Yeah..... wait, I wanna know is there a house that when a Magic Storm hits, would not make your body worse?”

During our walk in the city, I saw a service for “The Magician day”, and almost like a natural phenomenon—it changes the weather of a Magic Storm.

So I was wondering is that possible? As I asked.

“Because it’s such a day, what’s more it comes irregularly, and moreover it protrudes from your budget—”

“Please let me see the property.”



Being lead by Antonio, we are currently at the west side of Shikuro where a three story isolated house is present.

The first floor is like a garage where we can store a number of Magic Cart, the second floor is where the bathroom, kitchen and living room is, and the third floor is the bedroom where there’s three of it.

Twas was the floor plan.

The floor plan was what we wanted, and what’s more—

“My headache... has subsided.”

“Is that true!”

When we entered the house, the moment the door was closed, as if nothing had happened at all, Celeste became better.

“Wow, I can’t believe there’s a house with these effects.”

“Are you sure you’re alright desu?”

“It’s to the point where I was surprise myself.”

The person herself said so to the point where her condition was scarily better.

“How is it, is it to your liking?” Antonio asked.

“It’s perfect.”

“How much is the rent per month desu?”

“It’s 400K Piro, since it’s using the latest technology of completely blocking off the effects of the Magic Storm, plus it is the same floor plan as required so the price goes up by 30%.”

“400K.....”

“Th, that is even for us, it’s a bit---”

“Then we’ll choose here.”

Emily immediately frowned her eyebrows, and Celeste was also trying to quickly decline.

Without being affected by their opinion, I made my decision.

The two of them were shocked beyond belief. And the both of them looked at me with wide eyes.

“If this really cured your headache then it’s a cheap price to pay.”

As I said so, Celeste became teary as she looked at me.”

“Ryouta-san..... th-ankyou...”

With that, we have finally moved into a new house.

And thus our house has been ranked up once more.

Chapter 55

Special Dungeon

The next day, at the new house's living room.

Though we immediately moved into the new house, I could already feel the warmness wrapping around my body.

Since our baggage didn't increase, we were still living our lives equally.

Moreover, this feeling of warmth and security is similar to living with my grandma back in my hometown.

"As one would expect, Emily is a frightening creature."

"That's true. Though I wonder what's different."

"If we were to count the tent then this would be the fourth place we are living. I've already given up on looking at the difference between all four of the houses long ago."

"Even though you've been experiencing it the longest, you still can't tell the difference."

Looking at Emily who was preparing breakfast in the kitchen, Celeste sighed as she was troubled by it.

"I already gave up on this phenomenon. As long as Emily's around the house it would be bright and warm. If she isn't then it would just be a normal house. That's all."

"I agree with that wholeheartedly."

"Speaking of phenomenons, the Magical Storm is still going on."

"It's gonna continue strong as ever too for today."

Celeste sighed but this time for a different reason.

She was disappointed at herself and mourned as she knew of her own powerlessness.

“I guess it’s impossible too for today. Furthermore my drops are all F, and with me not being able to use my magic at all, I’m truly useless.”

“Don’t mind it, you should rest up during these situations. And isn’t it really calm inside this house?”

“Yeah, it’s calm to the point where I was surprised that this building can produce such calmness.”

“Well I’m glad. I guess it was worth renting this place then.”

Celeste opened her eyes wide as she was shocked at my words, and I wonder why immediately afterwards her cheeks would be dyed red.

“Uhh.....”

“Yeah.”

“Thanks.....”

“As I said, don’t mind. Aren’t you a fellow group of the Ryouta Family?”

“.....Yeah.” as Celeste nodded and smiled gently at me.



Since Celeste has fallen sick due to the Magic Storm, I will be soloing today.

I first went to Nihonium in the morning to increase my Endurance from D to C. As I’d completely gotten used of dealing the Mummies which requires you to defeat it twice, I felt that it was much more relaxing to hunt inside that floor.

Afterwards, I went to Teruru’s first floor during the afternoon to hunt for bean sprouts as our daily income.

Though this was an even easier job compared to the previous one, I was gradually starting to get bored of it.

Since it can't be helped, I mixed in a few shots with some special bullets. Thus, in a technical method, for every 20 bodies I would use one special bullet to defeat them.

With the continuation of defeating the Slimes, I made use of the Magic Cart's function and gotten a perfect total of 40k Piro drop. I then went back to Shikuro to sell them off.



“Yes, it's exactly 40k Piro.”

“*Thank you..... wait what?*”

“Have you realised?”

Looking at Elza, who was an employee in the shop, she bitterly smiled as she handed over the money.

Of course I would realised.

Usually, when it was 40K Piro, they would give me 4 notes of 10k Piro.

But today she gave me 3 notes of 10k Piro, and 10 notes of 1k Piro.

Though nothing has changed, and I'm still getting my 40k Piro.

“I'm sorry for complicating things, but recently the flow of money has decreased.”

“I see, so that's why.”

“Since there has been a case where they captured a corrupted governor who was governing the dungeon, the production volume has been temporarily dropped. But since they have just convicted the previous governor guilty and elected a new one, thus as of right now, we have to wait for awhile till the situation returns back to normal.”

“I see..... hmm? Wait a minute, the things you just said. There's a dungeon that drops money?”

“That's correct?”

While Elza was caressing her neck, a question mark(?) popped up from on top of her head as she looked at me.

Her expression clearly says “Did I just hear something stupid because that’s common sense?”

Ah I see, so I guess even money is dropped from dungeons huh.

With the 10K and 1K Piro bills that I just received, I took out some coins from my pocket.

So I guess these money that we have been using, was also being dropped from dungeons.

Wait, doesn’t that mean the country who was controlling this dungeon could just gain lot’s of money—

Well, the money currency should work similar to our world, the country can’t just be getting money left and right, the higher ups must be controlling the money.

I’m pretty sure it’s the same with both worlds, no wonder she was talking about the person governing.

“Thanks, I’ll drop by later.”

“Yes, please come back again!”

Elza smiled and sent me off as I walked out of the store.

While carefully storing the notes, I took out the largest coin which is 500 Piro from my pocket, flipped it using my thumb and catch it midair.

This is a dungeon drop huh.

Until now, I never wondered about it, but after knowing it now I thought that it was interesting.

This world where everything is dropped in a dungeon is truly an interesting world.

Don!

“Oh, I’m sorry.”

As I was thinking about it, without looking what’s in front of me, I accidentally knocked into someone.

And the coin that I was playing around dropped and landed on the ground.

The 500 Piro coin then rolled away so I was trying to stop it.

Using my foot to step on it, I crouched down and picked the coin up from the ground—and at that moment.

Something came to mind, a flashing white light suddenly came across in my head.

I almost lost the coin that I just dropped.

And if I were to lose it, it will be gone from my palm and it would disappear from the owner.

—That means, rogue monster.

Realising it just now, I opened my eyes wide open.



At the suburb of Shikuro, at a place where I often go to where not a soul is present.

At that place, I left a 10k note on the ground.

Moving away from it, I waited for a moment, and the note hatched into a rogue monster.

It’s a bird. It’s a Crow that is usually spotted in the city but this blackbird is three times the size of the usual crow.

Then it suddenly flapped its wings—and flew away from the opposite of my direction.

It’s flying away at an astounding speed!

“I won’t let you escape!”

I grabbed my gun and fired.

The bullet flew straight at the bird.

The bird that seemed to realise the bullet turned to the side and dodged it.

“Seems like it’s mobility is high, if that’s the case!”

This time I switched to the Homing Bullet, and just in case I fired twice.

The special bullet flew from both direction towards the bird, and the bird acrobatically dodged the bullets, but that did not stop the bullets as it was still homing onto the bird, and finally both the bullet hit it’s target.

The bird died while airborne, and something dropped.

I then went around looking at the place where it was last seen.

And after finally finding it, I picked it up.

“This is... a key?”

The item drop of the bird is apparently some sort of jewel-like object(art object) that is a key.

The rogue monster that came from the money has dropped a jewel-like objet.

This is probably the drop from the bird, as I was thinking.

“This is fine and all, but how do I use it?”

While staring at the key, I tried fiddling with it and lightly pulled it.

Oh, some sort of voice appeared inside my head.

The voice explained that the item is a Special Item, and also explained how to use it

“Like this?”

According to what the voice said, I should twist it in the air like I normally do when opening a door.

At that sudden moment, I was being flown to somewhere!

Before that, I was at the outskirts of Shikuro, now I'm suddenly inside a dungeon.

Like a temple, also like a ruin, and also a cave with wide area.

Further away from me is a monster standing still.

At first glance it looked like a girl, but looking at it in detail, it's clearly not human.

The body is strangely pale and transparent, and it had no legs so it was floating in midair.

If we take Nihonium's monster as undead type, then this would be a monster under the ghost type called **Wraith**.

It seems that the key somehow teleported me into the Special Dungeon when I used it.

“Anyway, if it's a monster I will first have to defeat it.”

Even I understood it, while leaving a smile at the corner of my mouth.

This world—a world where even money is dropped in a dungeon, we can just treat these monsters as a real treasure box.

I also did not expect to see such special type in any dungeons before, thus I was anticipating this fight too.

The Wraith then lazily float towards me.

And I intercepted it by firing my guns.

The normal bullet—it went through it.

The Freezing Bullet—it went through it.

The Flame Bullet—it went through it.

The **Recovery Bullet**—it went through it.

The Homing Bullet—it went through it.

Using the special bullets one after the another, though all of them phased through the Wraith.

The last bullet was the Restraint Bullet, I fired at it and—it worked.

Right as the bullet was in front of the Wraith, it shone, and the light rope entangled the Wraith's body.

Afterwards, the Wraith that was bounded by the light rope, its body was not transparent anymore.

Immediately I fired a Homing Bullet.

As I fired, from just now when the Homing bullet would just phased through the body, now with it being bounded by the light rope, the bullet damaged the Wraith.

The Wraith then let out a scream which a normal human being was not capable of doing.

Seems like it's working now.

While it was still being restrained, I switched to a normal bullet, and since it was extremely thin, I shot at it to the point where I realise that I was hitting from zero distance.

The Wraith continued screaming in agony, and after awhile as if none of these had ever happened, it vanished into thinned air.

What dropped was a glass bottle full of red liquid.

When I picked it up—immediately I was brought back to the outskirts of Shikuro.

Now I get it, seems like this key lets me transport into the Special Dungeon once to defeat one monster.

Well, earning that money, I turned that money into a rogue monster, and getting a key out from the rogue monster, I can use that key to get into a Special Dungeon.,

Although it was a really tiresome procedure, so I wonder if the effect would be worth the time.

I placed the bottle near my mouth, and drank the red liquid all at once.

I could feel the liquid going through my body, and some sort of effect has been activated.

And so.

—The drop of Vegetation will increase by 3 ranks for 10 minutes.

This was different compared to the others, in a way you could categorize this effect on a different category.

Chapter 56

Ability Boost

Since I have lots of experiments I wanted to test out, I took out another 10k Piro note and left it on the ground, then walked away from it.

Speaking of which, I remembered this would turn into a bird. Its speed was tremendously fast so it would be a bother if I were to miss it.

So in order to guarantee a defeat for that 1 note of 10k Piro..... Hmm, what should I do?

After thinking for awhile, something came to mind.

“Yosh, let’s try that then.”

Thus after finally confirming it, I walked away from the note to a far enough distance.

With the distance just barely away where I can use my gun to fire, I waited there.

“5, 4, 3, 2, 1——” as I whispered the countdown.

The moment I counted down to 0, I immediately shot a normal bullet to the 10K Piro note that hatched into a rogue monster.

“Yoshi.”

I fist bumped into the air as I managed to catch my target.

I sort of have a timer in my body, which allowed me to get the timing right on leaving the item there and wait for the rogue monster to spawn.

And that’s how I line it up just right and fired my bullet just when the rogue monster spawned.

If we’re talking about pursuing efficiency, it’s like accumulating all the monsters at a

certain place and defeating them all at once.

It's the same as that.

As the rogue monster dropped another key, I picked it up and raised it to arm's length. Placing the key into nothing, I twisted it.

I was then flown into what seems to be the remains of a cave, and there the same type of Wraith from before was there.

I fired a Restraint bullet at the Wraith who was leisurely floating towards me, and while it was being restrained with it's body, making it less transparent, I took that opportunity and jumped towards it and punch it.

Though I won't say it's completely safe even when it was being restrained, but I wanted to know how tough the enemy was.

"It's tougher than a zombie but weaker than a Mummy."

After getting to know roughly how tough it was, I was satisfied with my little experiment.

As the Wraith vanished into thinned air, a glass bottle with red liquid dropped, and picking that up I was returned back into the outskirts of Shikuro.

And immediately I drank the red liquid.

—The drop of Mineral will increase by 3 ranks for 10 minutes.

This time the mineral drop will be increased by 3 ranks.

Though just now was Vegetation, now it was Mineral.

I may need to investigate this further.



After defeating the Wraith, a glass bottle with blue liquid was dropped.

And I immediately drank the whole bottle.

—The drop of Vegetation will be increased by 1 rank for 10 minutes.

Was what I heard.

After retrying it for a couple of times, I sort of understand the effects.

First off, the big difference was there's two types of drop.

The key that I get from the note, I would get an effect of randomly increasing one of the drops by +3 ranks.

As for the key that I get from the coin, it will have the same random effect but this time increasing the drop by +1.

Regardless of the value, the notes would be +3, and the coin would be +1.

Even with the same colour, for example if I drank the increase up for Vegetation once and if there was another Vegetation up bottle, I could distinguish the two of them.

After understanding the effects of the drop, it was time to actually test the effects themselves.

For that..... we need the strength of those girls.



The next morning, Teruru Dungeon's front entrance.

Emily, Celeste and I were in front of the entrance.

Emily, who was immediately offered a new hammer, was holding onto it. Whereas for Celeste, the Magic Storm had just been subsided, thus her weak complexion was finally gone.

“What are we here for today nano?”

“Emily, you still wearing that ring I gave you?”

“Yes desu.”

“How about the stats?”

Emily then went close to the Know-It-All board, and skillfully operated it, then turned to the page where the drop stats were shown.

---- 2 / 2 ----
Vegetation D (+1)
Animals E (+1)
Minerals E (+1)
Magic E (+1)
Special Item E (+1)

“Yeap, it’s indeed increased.”

“Yes desu.”

“Though I’ve only heard of it... but there really is such effects.”

“Okay, next up can you please try on the Pink Sapphire bracelet together with that ring, I wanna see what happens.”

“Yes desu.”

Emily who equipped both the ring and the bracelet once again operated the Know-It-All Board.

---- 2 / 2 ----
Vegetation D (+1)
Animals E (+1)
Minerals E (+1)
Magic E (+1)
Special Item E (+1)

“It’s the same desu.....”

“I guess the equipment’s effect doesn’t overlap with one another.”

“Sadly, I guess we can’t just equip a bunch of those rings and increase our Drop to A.”

“That would be perfect if that were the case. Well onto the next one, can you please drink this?”

I took out the Red Potion and handed it to her.

Since I have drank it once before, I knew exactly what sort of effects it would increase if someone were to drink it.

“And then check the stats again desu?”

“Yeap.”

Without a hint of hesitation, Emily drank the red liquid in small gulps, and immediately afterwards a shocked expression was shown on her face.

“You heard it too?”

“Yes, I heard something desu. But this... it’s real?”

“That’s what we’re here for today, to test it out.”

“Oh, I see desu!”

Emily grasped the understanding of why we’re here today. On the other hand, Celeste was clueless as she did not drink the red potion.

On the outside, Emily looked like she was fearfully—though she was actually anticipating while operating the Know-It-All Board.

---- 2 / 2 ----
Vegetation A (+4)
Animals E (+1)
Minerals E (+1)
Magic E (+1)
Special Item E (+1)

“A, amazing...”

“My..... my drop has reached to A desu.....”

Knowing that the effects of the equipment and the potion could stack, Emily and Celeste were left speechless, and looked at me with eyes of admiration and respect.



Teruru Dungeon, first floor.

While holding onto her new hammer, Emily flew towards the direction of the Slime.

Emily was waiting for the encounter, previously her tactic would be to attack at the gap after receiving an attack from the Slime, but now that her level had gotten better, she could surpassed the Slime's speed and attack first.

She then immediately rushed and swept her hammer from the side of the Slime, knocking it's body.

The Slime was KO-ed after one hit, and died.

Pon, and from the Slime, many bean sprouts dropped.

“It appeared desu!”

“Let’s try the next one.”

“Yes desu!”

Then, whenever Emily would see a Slime she would defeat it while moving along.

As for Celeste and I, we were pushing the Magic Cart while picking up the bean sprouts.

“That’s amazing, it’s dropping 90% of the time.”

“If it is this sort of percentage... then I wonder if it was really an A drop.”

“I know that the potion(medicine) is a consumable item, but how much was it nano?”

“One bottle is just 10k Piro—Ah, but in order to defeat it I have to use a specific bullet so it’s different. Well the cost is 10k Piro. Yeap, that’s right.”

“Is that so nano!?”

“Just by using 10k Piro you could get a 10 minute drop rate up, that itself is awesome but hunting would be awkward.”

I thought so when watching Emily hunt.

“What’s more.”

“Hm?”

Celeste watched Emily with a serious expression.

“If you want to demonstrate it’s real effect, then wouldn’t it be better if you were to use it when a rare monster were to appear?”

“I see! It’s a common play to use a drop rate up before a rare or boss fight.”

“If you could just increase it to A, and the enemy is a rare—”

“What’s more 10k Piro is considered cheap.”

Celeste and I nodded in agreement.

Unexpectedly, we found a way to use the effect.

“Anyway, Ryouta-san is truly amazing huh, that you can do something like this.”

Since there were other adventurers around us, Celeste said it without revealing anything.

I have explained about my drop rate of S when she joined the Ryouta Family.

She was way too surprised when she heard about it, but afterwards she hurriedly asked.

“Was it alright to say it to someone like me?”.

Thus I replied with “Keep it a secret, okay?”, but I’m pretty sure Celeste wouldn’t leak out my secret so it’s alright.

“The moment I met Ryouta-san, it’s been nothing but surprises from you.”

“I was also shocked of myself everyday.”

“But it’s fun too.”

“That’s the same for me too.”

Celeste and I both smiled.

“You also want to try it too, Celeste?”

“Me too?”

As I nodded, I took out the red potion and handed it over to Celeste, and we went nearby the Know-It-All board.

Celeste tilted her little head whilst drinking the potion, and then checked on the Know-It-All board.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation C (+3)

Animals F

Minerals F

Magic F

Special Item F

“Th, this is me...?” Celeste said as she turned speechless.

As she was always called “Final F” for having all her drop being F.

Thus she would occasionally leak out the fact that her own drop rate was inferior to others.

But when she saw that her drop had increased to C, she was utterly speechless.

For example if Emily were to be like that and saw it, even though she would understand it in her head, but she can’t stop from surprising herself.

“Let’s try defeating some Slimes, though the drop would be normal.”

“Drop…? I… I can get drop from monsters?” Celeste was overwhelmed.

It was as if these sorts of things never occurred to her before.

“Well.”

“E, eeh… let’s try.”

“Then use this nodesu.”

“Emily!?”

Emily who out of nowhere came back, and pull out the ring and handed it to Celeste.

“Th, this ring is given to Emily from Ryouta-san, right?”

“This ring that I received from Yoda-san(Ryouta-san?) was our entire family’s income nanodesu. What’s more it feels extremely good wearing it. Celeste-san should try it out too nodesu.”

Emily then further pushed the ring towards her.

Celeste, with a troubled face looked at me.

I guess I was also perplexed by Emily’s offer sometimes—

“As expected of Emily.”

“Eh? What does that mean?”

“That’s how it is. So Celeste, just listen to Emily and try it on.”

“Well, well then…”

After wearing the ring, Celeste went and touch the Know-It-All board.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation B (+4)
Animals E (+1)
Minerals E (+1)
Magic E (+1)
Special Item E (+1)

While being puzzled for a moment by her drop rate that went up to B, she swallowed her saliva, and made an eye of determination.

At the same time a Slime got up.

From the ground, from the walls, and from the ceiling.

It's as if the cave itself is giving birth to it, and 5 Slimes appeared at the same time.

“Phew——Inferno!”

As soon as they spawned, Celeste used her Level 3 big magic and burned the Slimes.

The range magic swallowed the Slimes whole, and burned them to smithereens.

Right afterwards, Po-po-po-po-pon!

For having a drop B her level was considered *lucky*, because all 5 of the slimes dropped bean sprouts.

“.....”

“It dropped desu.”

“As expected, though it cannot be compared to Emily with her drop being A.”

“Yes desu. But I’m glad nodesu.”

“Aah, good for you right Celeste..... Celeste?”

“.....”

Celeste had a blank stare on her face, and was looking straight at the dropped bean sprouts.

Eventually she gradually looked up at us, and with a grinding sound she immediately ran after us.

“Ryouta-san ! Emily !”

All of a sudden she jumped straight to us.

“Thank you Ryouta-san! Thank you too Emily!”

“Congratulations nanodesu~”

“Thank you... Sniff... Really, thank you.....”

Celeste went crying and hugging us as repeatedly thanked us over and over again.

Chapter 57

Dogeza for the sake of a private power generator

Nihonium fourth floor.

As usual, I was doing my daily routine of hunting Mummies here.

I was accustomed to the work of defeating the mummies, and cleansed the remaining bandages with my Recovery Bullets.

And afterwards increasing my ability by picking up the dropped Endurance up seeds. The fact that I was slowly getting used to the dungeon, I steadily hunted the mummies and when noon came, my Endurance increased from C to B.

The only thing left was to use the Collection Box to obtain more Special Bullets---was what I thought when.

A chill suddenly ran down my spine, and I felt a tremendous glare being directed at me.

“This blood thirst---It must be the Dungeon Master!”

I hurriedly take out my guns that I holstered a moment ago and went to the direction of that blood thirst.

.....When I arrived at that location, a prey was there.

The small size prey with her prideful bunny ears and bunny suit was standing there. Out of nowhere the girl was standing beside me and immediately caught hold of my arms.

“.....Uhm, what are you trying to do Eve-san.”

“Carrot or Alive.”

“You never fail to say such dangerous things.”

“Carrots or Alive.”

“Uh.”

While a gnawing sound was heard the blood lust can be felt once again.

Having a resentment towards food is bad. Thus, I gave up as to not go against Eve.



Teruru dungeon's second floor, I defeated a ton of Drowsy Slimes and collected huge amount of carrots. With that, I handed it over to Eve.

This time I didn't bring my Magic Cart with me, but just by looking at it, the amount is roughly 100k Piro worth of carrots.

With that mountain load of carrots, Eve was chewing at it like a small animal.

The killing intent that was there a moment ago, had all of a sudden been replaced with a smiling face.

“My bad, because I was away from Shikuro for awhile.”

“I've heard of it from Clint.”

“Clint... Ah it's the name of the Dungeon Chief. Yeah, I was helping him on a request. So I'm sorry that I can't give you any carrots at that time.”

“Don't mind, because there's carrot now.”

Eve was gnawing at the carrots.

For some reason the act of her chewing on the carrots was cute, so I subconsciously looked at her.

Eve, who noticed that I was staring at her, quickly stood up and tried to hide the mountain of carrot, though the amount was too much that she couldn't hide it with her small body.

“I won’t hand over any carrots.”

“I won’t take any so just eat it.”

Somehow, my tone of voice was gentle.

And with that Eve resumed chewing on her beloved carrots, and while looking at her, something popped up in my mind.

“Now that I think about it, if I’m not mistaken, you have friends right. I’d also recently started making friends and ended up creating my own Ryouta Family.”

“I broke up with them.”

“Broke up! Why!”

“We had a mismatch with dungeons.”

“Aren’t you guys a band!”

As I subconsciously tsukkomi her, Eve answered me with a serious face.

“Things like these happened often. There are those who want to be an adventurer, and those who just want a stable income. Those who just wants to stay at the same dungeon over and over again, and those who wants to dive into different kinds of dungeon. And also those who wants to stay at the same city, and those that wants to explore different cities and explore different types of caves.”

“Aaah... that makes sense. If you think about it, it is common that people have different style in exploring the dungeon.”

“Un, that’s how it is.”

“Then what was the mismatch with your party?”

“There was a new girl that joined our party, and the guys all followed the girl’s wish.”

“Doesn’t that sound more like a princess crashing onto somebody else’s circle!”

Again I made a magnificent tsukkomi to her.

I won’t dwell any further, because even if I don’t know about it, I could sort of guess it.

While I was thinking about it, Eve gorged down the carrots in no time.

Clearly the size of her body could not fit in all those carrots, but in a matter of seconds she gobbled up that entire mountain of carrots.

“Did you seriously finish up all those...”

“Do you think I would leave any behind?”

Eve was holding the last remaining carrot, which was already halfway into her mouth as she chew it all up.

“Carrots are something to be eaten cleanly.”

“No that’s not the problem right now, the problem right now is the amount.”

“Thanks for the meal.”

“Your welcome.”

“.....I hate low leveled people.” she said as she (karate) chopped me over the head with her hand.

“Though judging from what I remember... for some reason the chop this time around was gentler than before.”

“Because of Carrots & Peace, I couldn’t use my strength.”

“I got a feeling something was mixed in somewhere... well anyways, though I know that Eve would always get the carrots from me, but why don’t you just hunt them by yourself?”

Eve, who did not answer, brought me straight to the Know-It-All board and operated it.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation D

Animal A

Mineral E

Magic C

Special Item C

“See, because my Vegetation drop is at D, so even if I were to hunt them by myself it wouldn’t have tasted good.”

“Wait, if you had that sort of drop then why are you in Shikuro right now?”

“Because there’s carrots here.”

“There must’ve been a misunderstanding!”

“Because of that I’ve somehow earned the title of “The Carnivorous Bunny”.”

“That’s because your Animal drop is A!”

I seriously wonder why she came to Shikuro for.

.....I don’t think that she would love carrots enough to the point of coming here though.

While looking at the Know-It-All Board, I realized something.

“Eve, please drink this.”

I took out the red potion and handed it over to her.

“Is it carrot juice?”

“Stop thinking about carrots only! Wait, you don’t have to get away from carrots though.”

“So which is it?”

“You’ll understand once you drink it.”

Eve stared hard at me for a moment, then started drinking the potion.

“Fue?”

“You heard it right.”

“What’s the meaning of this?”

“Operate the Know-It-All board again and find out yourself.”

With a surprised expression, Eve nodded and once again operated the Know-It-All board.

---- 2 / 2 ----
Vegetation A (+3)
Animal A
Mineral E
Magic C
Special Item C

“A... my vegetation drop is now A.....”

“With that—”

“I’ll finally become a “Herbivore(Vegan) Bunny”.”

“Weren’t you a herbivore to begin with! Anyway just try defeating a Slime now.”

“Un.”

Eve nodded, and ran around finding for a Slime.

Immediately she found a Drowsy Slime that drops carrots.

“Fu!”

“As always, how do you use your karate chop to shatter the monsters into dust.”

While bitterly smiling, I once again praised at the fact that she could do something with just a karate chop.

And by defeating the Drowsy Slime, carrots were dropped.

Eve picked those up, and chewed it.

“Delicious..... It is not tough and it’s quite chilling, and it also has a moderately sweet and has a refreshing aftertaste!”

“Are you a gourmet or something?”

“This is——Carrots!”

“Yeah no, it’s definitely carrots.”

“A Drop D carrot cannot compare to this carrot.” Eve cut me off.

Well it’s certainly true that the status of the drop doesn’t only define the quantity of the drop, but also the quality of the drop.

Eve then went ahead and karate chopped another Drowsy Slime into dust, and it turned into carrot.

She then took the carrot and chewed it with showed a blissful look.

“Delicious...”

“I’m glad.”

“To hunt it by myself and eat it for myself... A private power generator.”

“So you’re okay with producing something for your own consumption!”

After eating her own carrot, she went to the closest Know-It-All board and operated it, and there she turned to the page where the status of drop was.

The +3 rank that made her drop to A, for some reason she was staring alternatively with me.

Afterwards, she got down to the ground(dogeza) with a flowing movement.

“Please let me join you.”

“To the point where you need to do a dogeza?”

“If that’s not enough I can pay you through my body.”

“Don’t start stripping now! It’s to perverted when the top of your bunny suits goes “Boin”.”

“If, if that’s still not enough I can pay you with my ears.”

“Why are you blushing over that!? How is it more embarrassing then stripping!?”

“Please let me join your team if you let me join your team I will let you do anything with me.” Eve said with an incredible machine gun like speed.

To join my team, the reason was clearly for my red potion---more like I thought she would've done it earlier in order to get carrots out of me, so this was kinda refreshing.

“Fine, you can join---”

“I love low level!”

Eve said as she jumped for joy and hugged me while repeatedly saying she loves me. Rather than befriending her, it's more like I've gained a rabbit to feed now, thus I bitterly smiled.

Translator Note:

Private Power generator(自家発電): Literally I google translated it, and it gave me the word masturbation, are you f***ing me google.

Editor's Note:

What in the world was Eve doing, trying to strip?!?

Chapter 58

A playable monster

Really really really important Note: The *Stamina* in this entire novel is actually describing about the *Endurance*. I apologize about the mis-translation as at that time they did not dwell so much in explaining each status.

“What is the meaning of this potion?”

“.....Let’s see, since you’re with us now I guess I can teach you about it.”

To answer Eve’s question, I brought her close to the Know-It-All Board and operated it, there I showed her my second tab’s status.

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Vegetation S
Animal S
Mineral S
Magic S
Special Item S

Eve who was standing beside me moved closer to see my status, afterwards she looked at me with her small head and tilted her head, making her bunny ears flop to the side too.

“.....S?”

“As you can see my drops are all S, which is one rank higher than A, and because of this status I was able to get a lot of items that others couldn’t obtain.”

“.....I see.”

“.....You were convinced easily.”

“Because your carrot is way better than mine, thus convinced.”

“So you take the carrots as a standard huh.”

While bitterly smiling, I thought that it was just like Eve.

After regaining my thoughts, I continued explaining.

“For example, that potion you took just now, there are other types of item that I have shown you before, those were from the drops of monsters that I’ve gotten because of my Drop being all S.”

“Oh, I see.”

“And I only tell this secret to my friends, so please keep it a secret okay.”

“I got it.”

Eve said as she showed a really serious expression while nodding. Well, she seemed like the type that doesn’t talk often, so I can trust her.

Though I told her to keep it a secret, but what is with this seriousness?

I immediately understood why.

“I’ll absolutely not tell anyone even if this body is torn to pieces and spreaded to dungeons all over the world.”

“That is a heavy determination! You don’t have to go that far to keep my secret.”

“It’s for the carrot’s sake!”

.....She’s amazing, though in a completely different way as I thought.

Being heard by Eve’s determination, she once again looked at my status at the Know-It-All Board.

“What’s wrong?”

“For your abilities, HP being S and Endurance being B... Is S really better than A?”

“Didn’t I just said that a moment ago.”

“.....”

After looking at my status for awhile, Eve turned towards me and gave me a karate chop.

A ‘Pechi’ sound was made.

“Why? So sudden. Are you gonna say “Low level hate” again?”

“.....”

Without answering me, Eve went to a side of the wall and chopped it.

Then, one part of the wall crumbled and turned to dust.

It cracked, no wait, it was slashed, no wait that’s not it either.

It’s just one part of it being crumbled to dust.

After that, she once again looked at me.

“Sturdy.” was what she responded.

“Was that the strength you put into when you chopped me just now?”

“In about one second I chopped a hundred times.”

“Are you a high frequency cutter or something! Wait! Then don’t do it on people!”

“But you’re sturdy.”

“Well..... It didn’t really hurt that much.”

“Maybe if your **Endurance** becomes S then it wouldn’t hurt at all.”

“____-!”

I was shocked by Eve’s casual words she said.



Noon came, inside of Shikuro's city.

As to team up together with Celeste and Emily, I was currently waiting at the city.

"Thank you for the hard work Yoda-san."

"What should we do today? Should we dive into the sixth floor of Teruru?"

"Sorry! Let me act on something different for today!"

While clasping both my hands together, I bowed down deeply.

"Eh? A different matter... What does that mean....."

"I have something to do today."

"Something to do... Is that something important? Even more important then diving into the dungeon—"

"Okay desu."

Against the confusing Celeste, Emily immediately accepted it and agreed.

"Leave this to me nodesu."

"Thank you Emily! And sorry Celeste! Oh I know! I'll leave this Vegetation Drop-up potion to you girls."

I handed the red potion to the two of them, turned my away from them and rushed away.

I have something I need to do. While having thoughts on how to complete it I was running with my full strength.



After Ryouta up and left it was just Emily and Celeste.

Although Celeste was showing a troubled and a half-depressed expression, Emily had a gentle smile floating around her mouth as she looked at Ryouta disappearing into the crowds while waving at him.

“He just went away... Was that okay, Emily, without even asking why did you just let him go.”

“It’s the usual Yoda-san desu.”

“Eh?”

“Whenever Ryouta-san has something he wants to do he would always put up that face desu. Doesn’t it make you want to support him too nanodesu.”

“That is... Certainly he is the coolest in the world.....”

When Emily said so, Celeste was blushing really hard, and with an embarrassed expression she looked at the place where Ryouta left just a moment ago.

“Ryouta-san who made that face... wanting to do something... Alright!”

Celeste who wanted to chase after Ryouta who just left, was caught in the arms by Emily and detained her.

“No interfering with Yoda-san nanodesu.”

“But, he might need our help, hence why.”

“If he needs our help, Yoda-san would’ve asked us already desu. Since he didn’t say anything about needing our help and asked us to head to the dungeon first so we don’t have to help him desu.”

“Let go of me Emily, please. Let me go with him.”

“No means no nanodesu~~”

“Let—Me—Go—Please—”

Celeste was begging like a little child wanted to go with him.

But Emily was firmly gripping on her arms, and dragged her into the dungeon with her.



Nihonium's fourth floor, as usual a dungeon with nobody in it.

The moment I stepped foot into the dungeon I was immediately greeted with a Mummy and I grasped hold of its throat, and pounding it against the wall as I was squeezing onto its throat.

After awhile the head loosen up, and the Mummy was defeated.

The insides of the mummy evaporated, and when the bandages remained I immediately shot a Recovery Bullet.

I extinguished the bandages while it was still shaped like a human figure.

Then a seed dropped and my Endurance was up by 1.

I then searched for the next monster.

Further away from me I saw another Mummy. I shot a Penetrating bullet at it, and later timing it slightly after I fired a Recovery Bullet.

And at that moment I was also dashing towards it to shorten the distance.

The Mummy's head that was penetrated by the bullet was defeated, and afterwards the bandage was cleansed. Just when the seed dropped I reached in time to pick it up to increase my Endurance.

While I was hunting inside Nihonium my tension was at a maximum level, because I wanted to quickly increase my Endurance.

With that high tension I was hunting down the Mummies, and calculating the fastest way on the spot to defeat the Mummies.

And thus for the entire afternoon, as a result of rampaging inside the dungeon, my Endurance went up from B to A, and then from A to S in one shot.



After exiting the dungeon, I went to the only Know-It-All board that Nihonium had to confirmed my abilities.

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Level: 1/1

HP: S

MP: F

Strength: S

Endurance: S

Intelligence: F

Mentality: F

Speed: S

Dexterity: F

Luck: F

Even though my level is still at a level of 1, but my Endurance has finally reached S.

After confirming that, I once again went back into the dungeon.

Nihonium's first floor, the floor where Skeleton loves to surprise people.

And immediately I encountered a Skeleton.

Usually I would've immediately taken it down, but this time I stood there doing nothing at all.

And I even put both my hands inside my pocket.

Pechi, was what I felt when being hit.

The Skeleton's attack, though it's not as if I did not feel anything at all, but the pain was like being hit by a kindergarten child.

And once again standing still, yeap, no matter how many times it attacked me, it did not hurt at all.

Then I walked forward, and the Skeleton was chasing after me while not attacking it at all.

Since Nihonium doesn't drop anything for other adventurers, nobody frequent on this dungeon, so I encountered another Skeleton.

Together with that Skeleton, both the Skeleton from before and right now was hitting me left and right.

Pechi-pechi, pechi-pechi.

As I expected, it doesn't hurt.

Just in case I evaded one of it's attack. The Skeleton that was attacking me landed it's attack on the ground.

Yeap, that's a rather heavy attack.

But, pechi-pechi.

It had completely no affect on me.

With my HP and Endurance being S.

If I was in a game, then this would mean I'm just taking 1 damage from a monster each hit.

Without defeating the Skeletons I continued moving onwards.

From two to three, from three to four, and from four---.

The Skeletons were gradually increasing, eventually they were grouping up while attacking me.

When it became to about 20 of them, it was to the point where they were surrounding me, so I could not move forwards anymore.

Even so it did not hurt at all, I was still in a state of continuously receiving an endless attack of 1 damage.

While being attack by a mob of Skeletons, I was thinking on how I can use this power on something else.

Chapter 59

A guy that approaches the sisters

Teruru Dungeon, sixth floor.

“Inferno!”

Celeste used her fire magic and burned the two Slimes.

The two Slimes were in the shape of a balance ball, with their bodies dyed in pink.

One of the Slimes that was burning jumped out of the range of the flame, while the other one melted and vanished just like that.

“Ku.” Celeste groaned.

The reason was because the Slime that escaped split into two.

The Slimes had the same exact size and colour, similar to the ones before.

What's more, the Slime that was damaged by the magic—the moment it split itself into two, the both of them were healed up into full health, as if they've been untouched.

It was Teruru dungeon's sixth floor's rare monster, a **< Sister Slime >**.

“I see, so that's what happens.”

“If you can't defeat the two of them together, and left one of them alive it will just keep reviving itself, and when it revived itself the damage that they took will be reset.”

Even though Celeste was not able to defeat them, she still explained the information she'd gotten in advance.

That information was for me, Emily and the newly joined Eve to listen.

“So no matter how many times you defeat it is a no no?”

“I think the world record of repeatedly defeating it was 666 times. Then they gave up.”

“Even though the drop of the monster is its life, I can’t believe they could get to that amount.”

More like I sort of admire them.

“So we just need to defeat them together?”

“Though that’s the case, but everytime it revives the HP will differ.”

“Wait just a moment.”

I took out both my guns and fired at the two of the Slimes.

The bullet that I fired was a normal bullet, and both the bullets landed at almost the same exact time.

One of the shots went through the Slimes and it was blown to pieces, but one of them looked like it was grazed.

Afterwards, as if nothing happened, it revived and was healed completely.

“Quite the problem.”

“What should we do Ryouta-san.”

“Fumu...”

Emily, Celeste, Eve.

With this line up in our team, I grasped hold of their fighting power, and thought of a plan.



I went towards the pink coloured Sister Slime.

At the same time the Slime jumped and landed on me.

When it hit me, it jumped back towards the location it was just now.

Inside this outdoor cave, one of the woods was knocked down, and the woods that had fallen landed on some rocks and crushed the rocks into pieces.

From what I've experience, the feeling of the pain reminded me of being whacked by a plastic bat.

Again the Slime jumped and hit my body.

Though I continued moving forward. Putting strength into my abdominal muscles, I ran straight ahead.

With my HP and Endurance being S, I ignored the 1 damage from the Slime and moved onwards like a tank.

The Slimes continued jumping and hitting me.

At last, I cornered the Slimes at the corner of a wall.

“Celeste and Emily you move to the left! Eve to the right!”

While shouting, Celeste would use her fire bullets (Bicorn horn) and continuously shot at the left Slime.

And immediately right behind me, Emily and Eve both jumped from my left and right side.

Emily spun her hammer around above her head and slammed it down, whereas Eve with her bunny ear and tail lift her hand up and chopped the slime.

While judging the conditions of the two Slimes, I allocated my team's attack.

At the same time the pink coloured Sister Slime fled.

Without splitting or resetting it's damage, we finally managed to defeat the troublesome rare monster.

“We did it Yoda-san!”

“We did it together, unfortunately it did not drop any carrots.”

“Well the drop of Sister Slime isn’t carrots to begin with.”

When we defeated the rare monster nothing dropped because the one who last hit it was either Emily or Eve, so either way we won’t get any drops.

“But Yoda-san was cool just now desu. The figure of Yoda-san cornering the Slime into the wall was cool desu.”

“I, I also thought so too. The appearance of you doing that was really coo—”

“It was like assaulting a woman.”

“—Fue!?”

Without letting Celeste finish of her sentence, Eve cut her off and answered.

“Wh, what do you mean by assaulting a woman?”

“It’s like cornering the sisters into a wall and not letting them escape.”

“When you picture it that way it does remind me of that nodesu.”

“It doesn’t okay! It’s not the same as assaulting woman!”

Without thinking I shouted. Eve’s way of thinking is too inappropriate.

I need to somehow change the topic.

“That’s right. Isn’t Eve’s timing a little off just now?”

“It’s like you’re slowly attacking it desu.”

“It wasn’t slow.”

“Eh?”

“This is when I’m not attacking.”

Eve shook her right hand demonstrating a motion of moving up and down, it was like a traffic control doll they put at a construction site.

“That is the normal one.”

“It’s sort of slower. Ah, it’s similar when you chop my head.”

“A 100 out of 100% is like this.”

“It became really slow.”

“If it hits, it’s about 200 chops per second.”

“It is seriously too fast that the eyes could not catch the movement.”

“Don’t worry, I won’t use it on low level.”

“Though I would like you to stop calling me that... but thank you.”

I don’t have an interest in finding out how powerful a 200 chops per second was going to feel.

Suddenly, I saw Celeste staring at Eve.

She was somewhat fidgeting as if she had something to say to her.

“Oh yeah, I forgotten to introduce her to y’all. Her name’s Eve, and she will be part of our team from now on.”

“You’ve mentioned that before we dive into the dungeon though. That’s fine and all but.....”

But, what?

Celeste must be curious of something.

“Was it because you don’t like it when I abruptly decide on things?”

“That’s not it! The one who has the final decision should be Ryouta-san. So that’s not it.....”

Again Celeste was fidgeting around. Really, what is she worried about.

Finally, as if she brought out her courage, she asked Eve.

“Uh, uhmm... what... what do you think of Ryouta-san?”

“I love low level.”

“I, lov—”

For some reason Celeste seemed like she took a huge damage and was shocked.

While in terror, it looks as though a huge lightning had struck behind her back as she fell to the ground, on all fours.

“Because he’s the God of Carrots.”

“—Huh?”

“I won’t hand over the carrot from low level, even if you were to give me the entire world’s gold. I won’t give so much as a root of his carrots.”

“As I said I do not need such huge determination.”

As usual, it’s Eve.

While bitterly smiling, I looked at the direction where Celeste was standing.

“Well just as you heard, this girl really loves carrots—”

“I lost...”

“On what!?”

My voice was loud enough as I tsukkomi her.

Even though I don’t know what she lost, but Celeste was doing a **ORZ** pose inside the dungeon.

Eve, who was enthusiastically rubbing her nose, defeated Celeste.

Beside them, Emily told them as per usual.

“Though it’s sort of a waste desu, if Yoda-san were to hit it last then we would’ve gotten a drop from the rare monster.”

“No, it’s okay in the sixth floor.”

“Why is that so desu?”

Emily who was shocked, I took out a piece of memo from my breast pocket.

It had a sort of flowery smell attached to it, and a cute handwriting was displayed inside the memo.

I got it from Elza, it was the list of rare monster drops that they haven’t gotten for the Harvest Festival.

“The one selling the highest is the one on the seventh floor.”

“I see nanodesu... Shall we go then desu?”

As Emily said, she looked at the three of us.

With the first experience of the four of us fighting as Eve just joined, our fighting power has once again increased.

Frankly, we have become strong because we formed a party.

If that’s the case.

I looked at the three of them. And together with Celeste who recovered from her ORZ pose while sighing, the three of them looked back at me.

“Let’s go, to the seventh floor we dive.”

The three of them nodded as they followed.

Chapter 60

Onions and tears

Terururu Dungeon, seventh floor.

Though it had the same scenery as the sixth floor; with trees and tall grass spreading till the eyes could see, the only difference was that it was snowing.

“Snow? Inside a dungeon?”

“It’s a **< Dungeon Snow >**. Whenever you defeat a monster and nothing drops, it’ll either be air or water right? Thus in some rare cases, as the structure of the dungeon changes gradually, some of them turn to snowfalls.”

“Now that you say it, there is indeed water being absorbed from the ground, I see.”

It was kind of interesting.

I reached my hand out to catch a snowflake. The moment the snowflake touched the palm of my hand, it melted away.

“It’s not cold.”

“That’s because the snow is created based on the nutrients and magical power of defeated monsters in this dungeon”

“So it’s not the temperature.”

“Floors that have this Dungeon Snow phenomenon could be strengthen by adventurers and monsters, because they could absorb the nutrients and the magical powers into their bodies.”

“Heh. As expected of Celeste, you seem to know a lot.”

“Eh... It, it’s not that great or anything... Yay, I was praised.”

As Celeste's voice became weaker and weaker, her face became brighter and brighter.

Thus together with her, Emily and Eve, we continued exploring the dungeon, and encountered a familiar looking group.

It's an elderly man with a young guy and girl in a team.

When we saw them, they've just defeated a monster, and the elderly man picked up the dropped Onions and threw it into his Magic Cart.

"You did it! I'm burning with emotions right now."

" "Captain....." "

The elderly man was indeed touched and tears were flowing down his cheeks.

And the youngins that were looking at the elderly man---were more fired up than when I first met them.

Though their appearance were battered and there were injuries everywhere, it seemed like they were pushing themselves again.

"There were times when it was terrible, and there were times when it was tough. There were also times when you've gotten nothing when you defeated a monster; there were also times when you could not defeat it and let it escaped. I know that you were very disappointed, it was very frustrating for you all..... but I completely understand how you feel."

"Captain....."

"I too have the same feeling. When you were all frustrated, I too was frustrated with you. But I just couldn't say it, if I were to say it in front of y'all, it would've been the end of your career."

Tears were flowing even more on the elderly man's cheeks as he gradually started crying really loudly.

"Captain also had it tough....."

"Don't care about what I think! It's about y'all. In difficult times, you were able to grow

stronger from it, and you accomplished what you came for. To that I'm extremely happy about it! I'm so glad that I met you lots!"

"Captain..... no, we are also happy that we've met you."

"We were happy that you brought us along too."

The tears of the elderly man touched the hearts of the two youngins, and they were all hugging each other.

Since we didn't want to bother such sightings, we immediately slipped passed them.

The saying "Brainwashing complete" suddenly floated on top of my head.

This reminded me of something that happened in the past.

".....Let's hunt adequately for today, so it doesn't matter if we were to meet the rare monster or not."

"Yes desu."

"Sh, should we have dinner together. I saw a place where there is plenty of lighting to sit down and have a drink. Of course, together with Ryouta-san."

"I'll go back to the second floor. I want to be surrounding by carrots when I sleep."

Emily, Celeste, and Eve *answered as per their usual*, and that black thought lingering inside my mind has slowly diminished.

"Yoda-san! A monster appeared desu!"

The moment Emily's voice was heard, we immediately got worked up.

Inside the dungeon that was snowing, we've encountered a Slime that had not much changes though it was rather big in size.

Thus, I head on first as I was the tanker in the group.

I sprint towards the Slime and kept a fair distance while taking out my dual guns and shooting it with a Penetrating Bullet.

Even though the bullet penetrated the Slime, but it wasn't defeated.

If that's the case I flew towards it, and with my entire strength I launched out a right straight jab.

"Eh?" subconsciously I let out my voice.

The straight jab that I unleashed did not seem to have a response.

This time I took my two guns and once again relentlessly fired, using all the bullets that I loaded.

—Though, it didn't work. It's the same as when I used the Penetrating bullet and it didn't have any effect on it.

So I thought I should use the Penetrating bullets, but this time it just passed through it.

"What's going—Ku!"

Immediately afterwards the Slime counter attacked me. Since it was at such a close range I guarded the attack with my arms, and I instantly flew back.

My arms were shaking. The damage was even more painful than the Parent-Child Slime on the sixth floor.

It might also be the influence of the dungeon snow.

"That's no good Ryouta-san, you can't defeat a <Guts Slime> by yourself!"

"What do you mean?"

"When the Guts Slime is going to instantly die it will become invincible. So whoever is fighting it and was going to last hit it, it would not receive any damage at all."

"So it's necessary to slowly shave of it's health before dealing it."

"Yeap."

As Celeste said, she took out the Bicorn horn and fired out a small pellet of fire bullet.

The Guts Slime that wasn't defeated by my repeated fire of bullets was defeated just like that.

"Amazing, it was defeated desu."

"It's a floor where solo is forbidden. There are floors like this every so often."

Emily and Eve were mumbling to themselves.

"That's the gist, so you can leave this floor to us. It's best for Ryouta-san when you can only deal instant kill skills."

"If you put it that way then I guess it can't be helped."

And thus the three of them were walking inside the snow.

Somehow when I was observing our surroundings, I noticed there were two types of adventurers.

One of them was normally hunting down monsters and picking up the drops and putting it inside the magic cart. It's the adventurers that are finding a stable income.

And the other one of them ignored the Guts Slime, and was finding something specific with an eye of a prey. They're probably aiming for the rare drop for the Harvest Festival, aim it to win big—was what they're doing.

Those adventurers that slipped passed the Guts Slime in turned aimed towards our party.

Emily jumped towards it with her hammer spinning round and round, and with a loud shout she swung her hammer.

The Slime that was flying halfway, at the same time Emily took a hit.

"Emily."

"P, please deal the last hit desu!" Emily shouted as she was slightly away from the Slime.

Thus I took out both my guns and fired both of them.

First, I fired a Recovery bullet to Emily, and fired a normal bullet at the Slime.

As Emily was being healed, multiple onions dropped from where the Slime was.

“Are you alright Emily?”

“Yes desu. What’s more we did it nodesu~”

“That’s right, if you know the method of dealing with it, it isn’t really a tough opponent.”

“Though if you were to solo then it would become impossible in this floor.”

“Onions...”

“Does Eve-chan also like onions desu?”

“As long as I have carrots, I’m fine”

“The way you say that it’s almost as if it’s (the carrot) a human partner, isn’t it.”

(TLN: Thanks natsukage for deciphering this for me, love you <3)

“Lov—”

“Don’t say it with a red face please!”

“Then let’s have curry for dinner desu. Potatoes with onions, and also sliced carrots to make a wonderful curry nanodesu.”

“Sliced carrots...”

Eve who was thinking about it had saliva coming out from her mouth, and Emily who saw that hurriedly wiped them off from her mouth.

The pride and joy of her bunny ear with her bunny suits was drooling in large quantity..... It was a rather surreal sight.

“Let’s make them together desu.”

“Leave it to me, cutting is my forte.”

The moment Eve said that, she chopped the onions in a *terrifying fast* speed.

“Hyaa~ ... t, tears are coming out desu.”

“Sorry.”

When Eve chopped the onions into pieces, Emily---and Eve herself was tearing up like crazy.

What were they even doing, as I thought so I subconsciously laughed too.

“Do you like curry too Cele—”

“Dangerous!”

At the same time she shouted and something came from my side and attacked.

The impact of the shocked thrust me into the ground and dust rose around.

“Yoda-san!”

“Carrot!”

“I’m alright! And please change the way you call me okay!”

I jumped up from the ground.

The sudden surprise attack that I received was still lingering around the side of my abdomen.

“Ch.”

Immediately from beside me I heard someone clicking his tongue.

When I look at that direction, it was the adventurers with a goal in mind that had a regrettable face.

When I turned around, there was a different Slime at the postiion I was at just now.

It was the rare monster of the seventh floor!

“What a bunch of lucky bastards.”

As the adventurers said so, they had a defiant expression.

I see. I was surprised attacked by the monster, and they had a regrettable expression as now we have the right to the monster.

Well, I guess you can say this is all about luck.

I was slightly sorry to those bunch of people, but they went back to their positions.

Before I attack it I should hear from Celeste first.

“So how do we defeat this monster?”

“It’s a **<High Guts Slime>** Though it’s the same where someone else has to deal the final blow, but you should be careful of it’s attacks that could break through beyond the limits of physical strength. And when it becomes invincible it will reflect all incoming attacks.”

“Leave it to me. I’ll grasp hold of it’s endurance.” Eve said as she flew towards it.

“Grasp hold of it?”

“I’ve done this before. It’s something like this.”

Eve released her chop.

The speed was—slower compared to when she attacked me, and was slightly faster when she was using her full strength.

And with that chop she hit the top of the Slime’s head and cracked it.

The Slime looked like a pomegranate, and tried to counterattack Eve by smashing her but Eve already escaped.

“It’s open.”

“Aah.”

I pulled the trigger of my gun.

The normal bullet went straight at the rare monster and hit it.

Tears were came out from the eyes of the Slime.

There came a huge drop of tear coming out from the Slime and when it landed on the ground the Slime also disappeared. The tear then hardened.

“Seems like this jewel is it’s drop. When you equip it, it seems that you can reflect one damage.”

“Heh.”

The seventh floor’s rare monster, it’s drop was sort of interesting and I can’t wait to test it out.

I felt like trying out the effects together with my S stats of HP and Endurance.

Chapter 61

Auto level up

Teruru Dungeon, 7th floor.

Dungeon Snow—Amidst the snowy floor, we've encountered a Guts Slime.

Seeing the picture perfect scene of the monster in such situation, I took out my dual gun and fired the Penetration bullet.

The shot landed on the Slime and it cracked into a crescent moon shape, and the following attack would not work again on the Slime.

“Here you go nanodesu.”

“Thanks.”

Emily handed me the Tear of Slime that we've gotten from the rare monster just a moment ago, and casually walked closer to the Slime.

The half-cracked Slime jumped at me, and as it landed onto my body—at that moment.

The moment it landed onto my body, the Slime was knocked away.

Then, the Slime disappeared and there Onions dropped, thus concluding my experiment as it was a success.

Because I was trying to test something, Emily, Celeste, and Eve was behind me keeping a fair distance to protect me if something were to happen. Thus, after the experiment was complete, they came closer to me.

“I see, if you were to use this item, you can indeed solo the seventh floor by yourself.”

“Aah, first I would activate the Slime's special abilities, then when it tries to counter attack me I would just use the item. Since the enemy is already at 1 health to begin

with.”

“But this technique can only be used by you.”

“Well yeah. You would need to take a huge hit everytime you try to use this method. If you don’t have a high Endurance and HP to sustain the damage then this method would be impossible.”

“So Ryouta-san is fine with being hit?”

“I’m alright.”

“How much damage can you take?”

When I heard Celeste’s question I started thinking about it, then I looked at Eve’s direction and touched my own forehead.

Eve nodded, and chopped me.

“Strong, go slower.”

When I said that, Eve released her *fast* chop at me.

“Judging based on the feeling, the pain is almost the same as just now.”

“Wait a minute.”

With a pittar pattar footsteps, Eve walked towards a tree nearby and used the same speed that she chopped me just now on to the tree.

The tree that had the same width as an adult male was instantly cut to half by her chop.

“W, wow, such power.”

“I think the one we should truly praise is Yoda-san nanodesu.”

“Eeh, as expected of him.”

Emily had an innocent and willingness of a small child, whereas Celeste was looking

at me with glittering eyes.

“It can be used but it’s a useless piece of junk.”

“Don’t say that Eve, being able to reflect damage is amazing—”

“What’s wrong Yoda-san?”

The three of them were suspicious of my pause.

Because I suddenly thought of something interesting.



Nihonium Dungeon, second floor.

This is the number one place where nobody would bother you.

If it was a normal dungeon it would be filled with a bunch of adventurers, and if it was in Nihonium’s first floor there is Margaret Princess and co. doing their air business.

Whereas if you go to the second floor and below, you can only see adventurers once every week or so curiously diving into the dungeon.

Thus I was swaggering around this limestone cave-like dungeon.

I was just walking around mindlessly.

It’s the same as before, after I’ve gotten my Endurance to S I was testing on something, whenever I encountered a monster I would not attack it, and letting it hit me however it liked I continued walking.

Therefore, I slowly accumulated more zombies, sometimes from being surprised attack.

I let the hordes of zombies chased after me while I casually walked.

Then, when the number of zombies reached to around 15 of them—Pon!

One of the zombie that attacked was sent flying back.

The moment it was attack it disappeared and a seed dropped.

“That’s amazing Yoda-san, by just walking around you managed to defeat monsters desu.”

“So you can also use it on something like this.”

Because they did not want to bother with me, they were walking slightly behind me while looking at me with rounded eyes, and admiration was seen in their eyes.

Yes, I was doing the same thing I did back then by letting the monsters chase after me.

I continued letting them attack me, and together with the Tears of Slime, the opponent would just be damaging itself whenever it attacks me.

“Though that’s fine and all, but the efficiency is horrible.”

I then took out my dual guns, and swing my arms around(like a kawai twat) while simply shooting at the zombies.

When there’s no zombies left, the three of them came closer.

“That can’t be help desu, because Yoda-san is too strong desu.”

“I guess so. Well, I guess these kind of things happen.”

“So what should we do about this. I for one think that the item is of use, but then the Harvest Festival does need it too.”

“It does fetch a high price.”

“How much carrots can I get?”

I bitterly laughed as I heard the unwavering question of Eve.

“Well, for now let’s call it a day, we’ll decide it tomorrow.”

“Got it desu.”

“Well let’s go back then.”

“I’m going to Teruru. I want to be surrounded by a mountain carrots.”

Though the three of them have separate opinions, but all of them had the same opinion of getting out first.

On the other hand, I stopped at my tracks.

Because I had something in mind.

To me who was standing still, the three of them stopped and faced me.

“.....”

“Yoda-san?”

“What’s wrong?”

“I’m sorry girls, but y’all can head home first.”

Emily and co. were surprised for a moment, but immediately answered.

“I got it desu.”

“I guess you have something in mind again, talk about it with me later.”

“Be careful, low level.”

Without saying anything else they turned and left.

I then waved goodbye to the three of them.



The next morning.

The moment I opened my eyes, various parts of my body was in pain.

When I reached out—I felt that there was something squishy.

“Wh, what gives—oh yeah, I slept in the dungeon.”

I immediately remembered, because around me there were 5 zombies surrounding me, and was attacking me.

The zombies continued attacking me, and one of them who attacked me reflected back the damage towards it, and a seed dropped.

For that seed, I used the Collection Box to suck it in.

The previous night, after I waved them goodbye, I stayed overnight in the second floor of Nihonium.

I was currently at the exact same spot where I stood when waving them off.

And beside me was a Collection box setup, while I was holding onto the Tears of Slime, I slept just like that.

In reality I did nothing at all.

And the result of me doing nothing at all—I peaked inside the contents of the Collection Box.

“1, 2, 3... It’s 37 in total.”

Just one night of sleep, I’ve defeated 37 zombies.

Though the efficiency is still horrible, so I can’t say that this was practical.

Though the good thing was that I got to hunt monsters even when I’m sleeping, I thought as I concluded this interesting experiment.

Chapter 62

Double the reward

The newly rented three story house with resistance to Magic Wind.

And in that house, the second floor's living room.

When I came back from Nihonium, Emily and Celeste was just only having their breakfast in the living room.

“I’m back. Is it just the two of you?”

“Eve really went to Teruru there. She really said it and meant it.”

“Yes desu. At first we wanted to wait for Yoda-san to come back and discuss about the Tear of Slime, but since it doesn’t have anything to do with carrots we just told her to do whatever she wants desu.”

“She’s ever unshaken huh.”

Though I do admire that she came all the way here.

“Seems like Ryouta-san has harvest something.”

“Well I guess so.”

The ever so sharp Celeste and Emily had a face of anticipation as they were looking at me, thus I explained it to them what had happened.

I explained that I hold onto the Tears of Slime and slept inside Nihonium for a night, and when I slept I managed to reflect and defeated 37 zombies and drops.

“That’s awesome—but, that’s difficult?”

“Aah, it was difficult. It’s not wrong that it’s amazing, as I could get drops without doing anything, but the efficiency is simply horrible.”

“What’s more this method can only be used by Yoda-san nanodesu.”

“That’s true, to be able to sleep inside the dungeon while surrounded by a swarm of monsters till the next morning... this risky attempt can only be done by Ryouta-san.” as Celeste said.

“That Yoda-san is difficult too nanodesu, it might be better to just properly sell this item off desu.”

“I also thought so too. Though it’s interesting but it’s impractical. We should just exchange this for money, and when we have the opportunity again we can get another one.”

And thus I heard the opinion of the two of them.

Emily and Celeste both had no objection and nodded. I guess Eve who isn’t here with us and would only care about carrot talks wouldn’t matter much anyways.

“Well, let’s head to Elza after breakfast.”

Apparently, it seems that the employees in the shop are also likely to have such achievements, so I was wondering why not just hand over the Tears of Slime to the pretty looking girls in the shop.

Then, I realized that Celeste was thinking about something.

“What’s wrong Celeste.”

“No, I just suddenly thought of something.”

“Hm?”

“What does a rogue monster from a rare monster drop anyways?”

“That does spark an interest, U-n, I’m troubled. Even if it drops something it would be different from the original. We can’t afford to use the Tear of Slime to test this experiment.”

“If it’s that then it’s fine nanodesu.”

As Emily gave a broad smile, she took out the ring that she was wearing.

“That is... I see it's from the Slime Bros!”

“Yes desu. Teruru's first floor, it's the drop of the Slime Bros nanodesu.”



After eating our breakfast, we went to the city of Shikuro.

We arrived at a secluded place where we checked our surroundings whether they were anybody walking around.

After checking that they were nobody, I placed the ring that was dropped from a Slime Bros onto the ground, and together with Emily and Celeste, we kept a distance away from the ring.

“I'm getting excited desu.”

“Me too, I wonder what's gonna come out.”

“I'm pretty sure it's gonna be something awesome again desu! Because Yoda-san is the strongest in the world with his All S drop nodesu.”

As I bitterly smiled at the comments of the ladies, I was slightly embarrassed at the remarks of the both of them.

To hide away my embarrassment, I prepared my gun by loading it and ready for battle.

The rogue monster is a Slime Bros, I remembered the time when I defeated it.

At that time, it was kind of weak, with just one normal bullet I defeated it.

I wonder if it would go as smooth as that time, but just in case I loaded a Restraint Bullet on one of my guns and also a Homing Bullet, as it's better to prepare it beforehand.

After awhile the ring hatched into a rogue monster, and it became into a Slime Bros.

Immediately after I shot through the Slime Bros with a normal bullet.

The moment it hatched was the moment I pulled the trigger, and when it just fully hatched the shot went through.

Then it disappeared and “Pon”, an item dropped.

I then went close to it and picked it up.

And a voice was heard inside my brain.

“Drop times 2---and when you attack you would occasionally heal your HP and MP.”

“It’s a good item nanodesu!”

“The effect was enhanced with a different effect stacked onto it.”

“Is there an effect like this where you would occasionally heal yourself when you attack?”

Emily and Celeste then silently thought of it for awhile, and answered.

“I’ve never heard of it before desu.”

“Well there is an effect that grants a person times two drop, but the other effect, I’ve never heard of it too.”

“I see.”

“What you would expect from Ryouta-san, Then I would really want to know what can the Tear of Slime give when you turn it into a rogue monster.”

“Aah, but I don’t think it’s possible.”

I bitterly smiled after I answered Celeste.

The reason was because the design of the dropped ring is totally different from the previous design.

The shape of the ring, even the stone that was attached was totally different.

Even if an amateur appraises it, they would immediately know it’s another item at a

glance.

“If we use the Tear of Slime then we can’t trade it off.”

“That’s true.” Celeste said as she bitterly smiled and had a disappointed expression hanging on her face.

“It’s alright nanodesu.”

“Eh?”

“Though it can’t be verified, but you can certainly get it desu.”

“How so?”

Again Emily gracefully smiled and Pochi—she took out the pouch that was dropped by the rogue monster of the Slime Sultan, and showed it to us.



“This is Teruru Dungeon seventh floor’s rare monster!”

Inside the shop.

Even today, there were many adventurers coming and going with their drops and exchanging them for money, but with Emily’s loud voice reverberating around the shop, everyone stayed silent and all eyes were on us.

It was me who was bitterly smiling, and Emily and Celeste.

“The seventh floor?”

“It’s the Guts one, remember.”

“Aah, if I’m not mistaken the drop was really low and they would have to drag it all the way to the end of each year.”

“Tsk, lucky bastards.”

“That item would usually drop, but because of its effect some adventurers would self-

destruct using it and thus it would be lost each time and thus making it harder to gather than other rare drops.”

I can hear the other adventurers talking loud and clear.

Even though it’s an item from the seventh floor I could sort of understand why it was difficult to gather it.

Beside me, Elza who realised that she had given out the information to everyone hurriedly apologized while her face was dyed in red.

“Aah, I’m truly sorry.”

“Don’t mind it. What’s more important is are you still collecting this rare drop.”

“Yes! Thank you so much! It’s because of Satou-san that our shop is getting more and more well known and the ranking has risen.”

“Is that what happens when you get to display an item for the Harvest Festival?”

“Yes! What’s more this is a rare item. So I’m really grateful to Satou-san from the bottom of my heart!”

“I’m glad that I was of use then.”

“Another thing, are you gonna be going to the Harvest Festival?”

“Aah, I’ll definitely go.” I answered while being conscious of the presence of the pouch on my bosom.

It seems like the the honor would go to the shop, and also to the adventurers.

Because the whole point of the Harvest Festival is to showcase the rogue monster of each rare item at the stadium.

So they would show both the production and the monster.

And the ones who defeat the rogue monsters are the adventurers. Especially when it’s a rare monster drops which is usually done by adventurers who cooperate in the exhibition.

Originally the festival is all about exhibiting the monster and it's drop item and also to share among the others how to defeat them.

As the city would grow larger, the people would also increase accordingly.

And if you were to demonstrate how to defeat a rare monster during the Harvest Festival, the adventurers would also get famous.

As you are appealing to the audience on "How to defeat the monster", you are also displaying your strength to the audience.

In addition, it is also a good thing that there might be a possibility that request may come from a person who wants that exact item.

After calculating all these things, I answered that I would be participating.

In the past, I would've wanna hide the fact that I am defeating rogue monsters, but with the pouch inside my breast pocket, I could defeat the rogue monster and show that there are no drop, but in reality the drop would go into the pouch.

"Then please take care of me."

"Leave it to me."

"Then, let me reward you for the item."

Elza placed a bundle of bank notes on top of the table.

What an easy reward, it's obvious that it's banknote.

And counting it—it is stacked up in three.

Originally this drop can fetch a high price, but with the bonus of the festival the net value of it increased further.

Instead of checking what the rogue monster of the Tear of Slime would drop, we've gotten 3 Million Piro as a reward.

I turned around, and high fived Emily and Celeste in unison.

Chapter 63

Ryouta V.S Metal Ryouta

After a short break, Nihonium fifth floor.

Since I've finished clearing the fourth floor by increasing my Endurance to S rank, it's time to head down to the fifth floor.

As one would expect, the appearance of the dungeon is similar to the rest of the upper floors where it has a limestone cave design.

Whereas for Teruru dungeon's sixth and seventh floor, the moment you step foot into those floors, you can see a field like area in the dungeon, and the enemies are more fierce and strong.

Though, there's only one thing that's similar.

“Dungeon Snow... This floor also has snow falling.”

Similar to Teruru dungeon's seventh floor, it seemed like the magic snow is falling too. Though different from Teruru, this dungeon is completely shaped like a cave, so seeing snow covering the floor was amusing.

Immediately, a monster appeared.

A crack was formed on the ground and a Skeleton came out from it.

The Skeleton looks the exact same as the ones above, even the way it moved was the same as the ones above.

Is it possible to have the same type of monster?

As I was bewildered I took out my gun and as I was aiming at the Skeleton—the Skeleton changed.

As the snow gently falls onto the Skeleton's body, it's bones was soaked with the snow. The accumulated magical snow seeped into the body of the Skeleton and it gradually turned red.

The pure white bones has turned into blood red.

"I'm glad that there's something different bout===="

As I sighed in relief, without realizing the Skeleton came in front of me in the blink of an eye.

"____-!"

The skeleton swung its arms towards me and I swiftly guarded it with my arms and kicked it, sending it and myself backwards—but, the Skelly wandered over.

With a tremendous speed it dodged, and followed with an attack with a slam onto the side of my body.

So fast! This red Skeleton is three times as fast as the ones above!

".....But!"

Yes, the Skeleton is indeed fast, but I'm also fast too.

The hit from before was because I was attacked all of a sudden and was surprised by it, but if I knew that it's just "fast" then it's alright.

Taking its attacks, the Skeleton uses it's high speed as an advantage to hit and run away and repeating that process.

With my S Speed, before the Skeleton could move diagonally I took the first step and went ahead of him, kicking the side of it's body where it was landing onto.

With speed and power, I crossed countered it's movement and broke the Skeleton's bone in half.

The Skeleton then fell onto the ground and shook for a moment, once it stopped moving a seed was dropped.

As I picked that up.

—Max MP increased by 1.

Was what the voice said.

So the fifth floor drops MP up seeds huh, yoshi, time to rack up some more to increase further.

“.....Huh?”

Something popped up on my mind.

MP, does that mean the energy used to cast magic spells?

“How does one learn magic though?”



For now I increased my MP from F to E, and after that I went to the city to meet up with Celeste to talk about it.

“Normally you would learn it as you level up. As levels and abilities are unique to that specific person, the magic that you learn is already decided since the day you’re born.”

“I see. But I’m forever level 1..... Is that normal? Are there any other methods of learning magic?”

“If I’m not mistaken, if you eat a magical fruit, they might let you learn magic.”

“There’s even something like this?”

“Yep, though there are a lot of demerits when using this method, generally many people shy away from this method.”

“What sorts of demerits are there?”

“As it is against the innate growth, the moment you eat it, the level will be fixed and a curse will be inflicted upon the person, making them impossible to grow at all. What’s more you can only have one type of magic, the moment you eat it, what you learn is also random... And there are times when you can learn something that you’ve already learnt.”

“That’s certainly a huge drawback. Then wouldn’t you just have to level it up to the maximum before eating it?”

“Yeah, if it’s just one.”

“...What happens if you eat a second one?”

“If you eat a second one your level would drop by one, of course your abilities would drop too.”

“That is too much of a punishment.”

If you eat one you can’t level up anymore, and if you were to eat another one your level drops.

I guess the setback of the curse is truly terrifying.

But.

“So there’s no more demerits besides those you’ve mentioned?”

“Don’t think so. Still because one would eat it after raising their levels to the maximum, so the fruit still fetches a high price in the market.”

“Then there are no problems for me then.”

“...I guess you can say that, since Ryouta-san’s level is already at the highest, so I guess there are no demerits if you look at it that way.”

“Well that settles it.”



“I bought it.”

Standing outside of Shikuro’s largest Magical tool store, I was holding onto a luxurious wooden box.

Celeste who was accompanying me took the lid out of the wooden box.

And inside the content of the wooden box was a melon sized fruit, which has a hexagonal star pattern on the outside.

So if I eat this I will be able to learn one magic huh.

“Though, are you sure it’s alright for me to buy it? The 3 Million Piro that we had just gotten was eaten within a day, are you sure it isn’t better to keep it for the sake of y’all?”

“I want Ryouta-san to have it. Emily would definitely say that too. Eve on the other hand—”

“If it’s not about carrots she won’t care, that’s the kind of person she is.”

The both of us bitterly smiled at each other.

Seems like all of us don’t really care about what we do.

“Well then quickly eat it.”

“Wait, please wait for awhile.”

“Why?”

“I’ve learnt something, it’s that we shouldn’t just eat it as it is.”

“??? Should we let Emily cook something outta it?”

I returned a smile towards Celeste, and closed the lid of the luxurious box and started walking.



Suburbs of Shikuro, as always a place where no one frequents.

As we arrived, Celeste sort of get what I was trying to do.

“I understand now, you want to turn it into a rogue monster and get another drop from it.”

“Correct, cause I was wondering maybe it will give a better magic fruit in comparison to this one.”

As I talked—my inner spirit was in a mess?

It's probably because I'm certain it would turn out into something good, though I couldn't seize that factor of *something good*.

Normally the drop of a rare item would drop a higher ranked item, but there are some exception for example the Gorilla that drops Tuna, I've gotten a gun outta it when I killed the rogue monster.

Though I doubt it'll get any worse, but it'll be a 50/50 whether the magical fruit effect will remain.

Even though there was a risk, I still wanted to try it out.

When I was still in the company, when someone wanted to try challenging something, it has been mostly rejected as a “Non precedent”.

And because of that whenever I gave an idea someone would use that idea, the boss or the company would be filling with anger as they think that “Why didn't I use that idea earlier!”.

Thus I told myself not to fall into the same mistake again, and accept any challenge head on.

I left the magical fruit in place, and together with Celeste we walked quite a distance away.

As we were waiting for aw hile, the magical fruit hatched into a monster.

With a battle posture I flew towards it.

The monster was wrapped in metallic colour with a shape of an egg—and suddenly it dissolved and turned into a completely different shape.

The dissolved shape turned golden, and it changed into a shape of a human.

“Ryouta-san!?”

Celeste shouted in a screaming manner as she saw the human shape.

That's right, there are two of me now.

The body and even the clothes are completely similar, though the only difference is I'm not coated with only one colour, whereas it was coated entirely in metallic colour.

It's a liquid metal Android.

It reminded of a scene in a movie I saw once.

It then flew towards me. Fast!

I guarded the hollow punch, and immediately kept a distance away from it.

I prepared my gun and fired a normal bullet, it hit, but it seemed to have no effect whatsoever.

Again it flew towards me with great speed, and it's punch and kick cut through the wind, increasing it's speed further.

I took the hit and countered it by using a Penetration Bullet.

I aimed at the egg's chest and fired—though before it went in it was stopped. It guarded the bullet with it's arms crossed.

It's similar to what I would've done.

“IOT’ stough, it’s fast, plus it’s powerful.”

Metal Ryouta(for now he called it that) in its basic stats it was already strong to begin with.

Though not as strong as me.

Since bullets don't work I guess it's time to use hand to hand combat.

I avoided it's attack and countered it by punching it's side and changed direction at a right angle.

After a while, I understood roughly as I battled with it repeatedly.

It's power and speed it roughly around 80% of mine.

Probably the opponent that it copied, it will absorbed 70% of the opponent's stats.

"I guess my partner isn't that lucky—Wow!"

I grabbed hold of him as he tried to fight back and threw him into the air, and shot a Restraint Bullet while he was still in the air.

The Metal Ryouta who was floating mid air was trapped by a ray of light rope and could not move.

As I roughly understood it's ability, I quickly used that.

I took out my dual gun and loaded ammo into it, which were the Flame and Freezing bullets.

As I shot both of them together—it fused together and turned into an Annihilation bullet which was my highest offensive power.

The bullet flew one after the other onto its body as it was unable to escape, and scraped it's metal body.

One by one holes were formed on it's better, and it continued to increase, and finally as it reached it's limit, like a water balloon being popped, the metal liquid melted and dripped onto the ground.

Just in case I hold onto my gun, but it was a needless worry.

The liquify metal immediately disappeared and "Pon" a drop appeared.

I slowly got closed to it, and Celeste who was slightly further away from me ran towards me.

I picked up the drop, and Celeste had a difficult expression floating on her face.

"It's exactly the same magical fruit, nothing seemed to had changed."

"No, that's not necessary the case."

A grinned was floating at the edge of my mouth, and I turned the magical fruit around and showed *that* to Celeste.

The hexagon star sign which was just one a moment ago was now turned into two star.

“Ss that, possibly.”

“Maybe, no I’m certain.”

It’s probably the same pattern as the Slime Bros.

It’s the same item, but it was ranked up.

To confirm our theory, I chew on the magical fruit.

—You have now learnt two new magic.

And an announcer like voice was heard inside my head.

Chapter 64

Two types of magic

“Wind Cutter!”

After the method of using the magic popped up in my head, I immediately tried using it.

A green coloured wind formed, and a blade of wind slashed into nothingness.

“That’s the first magic right.”

“Looks like it. It’s called **<Wind Cutter>**“

“It’s a level 1 wind type magic.”

“Level 1 huh, even the power isn’t really that great... so I guess it’s true that there are demerits. Having to max your level cap and throwing hundreds of thousands of cash into getting such a normal magic is painful.”

“If it’s like Emily’s case where the girl learns a recovery magic, then I guess it’s more of luck rather than a demerit.”

“That’s true.” as I nodded in approval with Celeste comment.

And as Celeste said if there was luck involved, with Emily’s warrior style fighting learning a Recovery Magic and diving into the dungeon, she could expand her range as an adventurer.

If we put it that way, it means my luck was bad.

“And what is the other magic?”

“This one’s difficult to say.”



Teruru Dungeon, sixth floor.

After meeting up with Emily we dived down together into the sixth floor.

Immediately after we walked down the staircase, a Parent-Child Slime appeared.

It was one huge Slime and several smaller slimes around it.

At first glance you might think it's a group of Slimes, but in actuality it's just one body.

“Then, it's the usual formation.”

“Yes desu!”

“Leave it to me——Inferno!”

Celeste chanted her magic.

It was a Level 3 ranged fire magic, Inferno, and it spreaded towards the Slimes and wrapped them.

The Child Slime was burned to liquid one by one, and disappeared without leaving a drop behind.

“Reservation?”

After the children were all gone, the Parent Slime(Main body) was left and I chanted my magic.

A light magic wrapped around the powered up Parent Slime.

The light magic was then sucked into the Slime, and it disappeared.

And at the next moment, Emily flew towards it while spinning her hammer round and round.

With the speed and heaviness of the hammer added together it cleanly hit the Slime in one hit. The Slime's body was squashed by the hammer and it's body was partially splattered.

The Parent Slime which was buffed up to the max because all of the child slime was dead wasn't dead in one hit. It was as if the body was made up of clay, it molded back by itself and tried counter attacking Emily.

"Like I let you!"

I fired the Restraint Bullet to stop the Slime's movement.

Emily who doesn't need to worry about the attack of the Slime continued to whack the Slime.

She hammered the Slime like hammering mochi.

I was quite a distant away to some extent.

Since the Restraint bullet was working, without bothering Emily I kept a distance while holding my gun in case I need to follow up.

After Emily's dancing around with her hammer and my second bullet of Restraint bullet.

The Parent Slime was finally crushed by Emily.

Afterwards, a mountain of potatoes dropped.

Depending on the amount of child slime you killed, it corresponds to your drop.

It wasn't Emily's E drop, but in fact the drop S of me who defeated it.

"Amazing desu, it's as if I'm Yoda-san nanodesu."

"So from what happened just now, it was a magic..."

"Aah, you placed a magic on the enemy in advance, and whoever defeats the enemy would get the drop rate of the person who casted the spell."

"Which means being equivalent to having S drop?"

"Yeah. This is equally difficult. It's good that I have drop S, but since I'm going to target monsters instead of humans, in the end it's useless for me, there's no point at all."

"That's true. If you can aim it at humans instead of monsters, then Ryouta-san can just cast it on everybody..... that is if it can be done."

“Instead of casting it on the monster it’s faster if I were to kill it instead.”

While bitterly laughing, Celeste nodded.

Even though there can be some uses, but I guess this was also a miss.

“That’s not true desu! I’m grateful nanodesu.”

All of a sudden Emily thanked me.

“Why thank me for?”

“For this desu.”

Emily grabbed hold of my hands and pulled me along.

We walked inside the outskirt like dungeon for awhile and I saw a Know-It-All board that adventurers frequently used.

Emily then operated it, and her status showed up.

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Level: 25/40

HP: A

MP: F

Strength: A

Endurance: C

Intelligence: F

Mentality: F

Speed: E

Dexterity: F

Luck: C

“Level 25... did you just level up from that just now?”

“Yes desu! During the time when we were fighting the Bicorn I was still at level 24 and

since then I didn't level up, but I leveled up again nodesu!"

While saying that Emily smiled brightly while flowery patterns were floating behind her.

And looking at it further, it's not just her level that had increased, but her HP has gone up to A.

"I see, if Ryouta-san uses this magic then anyone can deal the final blow instead of Ryouta-san."

"And we can level up a lot desu!"

".....Oou."

I waved my fist down onto my palm.

I've forgotten the fact that the reason why I ate the Magic fruit was because my max level was 1 to begin with.

What's more since my Drop is all S, when diving into the dungeon with my friends I would usually be the one dealing the final blow, and the experience was wasted on me.

But with this magic it could resolve this issue.

"But, it'll be a handful for Ryouta-san."

"I don't think so-."

"Hyau!"

I immediately rebutted Celeste right on the spot, and Celeste raised a small scream. And couldn't resist, she screamed loudly.

Without realizing, I was actually stealing away the girls experience points all these time.

Thus knowing about it now, I feel better that I can give the experience to them without wasting it.

“So from now on the finishing blow---all of you can finally get the experience.”

I looked at both Emily and Celeste.

“And after everyone maxed out their levels, we can have y'all have one magic fruit.”

“.....Un.”

“Thank you desu!”



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